

MORE LOVE (Karleigh's song)

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I've been wandering and I don't understand
Stumbling around, blind and thirsty, towards some promised land.
But I remember, once, a whispering in my ear
"Everything you do from your heart will surely echo here"
So I dance and sing that tune
Pour my water on the ground and watch as roses bloom

Did you put more love in the world today?
More love on your way
To the setting sun, there is only one measure,
When you can honestly say: I put more love ...

I remember when we had to leave our home
Middle of the night, running blind, we were so alone
But we were grateful for the little that we had
Cherishing the gifts, and the care from every helping hand
Over time we came to see
There's a simple path that leads to true prosperity

Did you put more love in the world today?...
Simu, Simu ahavatchem ba-olam (4x)

Well today I found a place I could not mend
Sitting on the bed, holding hands with a faithful friend
And I told her that the whole thing shook my faith
Wondering aloud if our striving was really all a waste
She said, "There is just one task –
"And all that matters is your answer when the question's asked:"

Did you put more love in the world today?...
Simu, Simu ahavatchem ba-olam (8x)

Simu ahavatchem ba-olam means
put more of your love in the world

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Curmudgeons of Joy



The Rt. Rev. Steven Charleston



Our prayer is characterized by silence ~

Be still and know that I am God!

In that silence we listen for a new word.
God is present in all our lives.

God cares for us, and
our life experiences are a source
of deepening knowledge of God and self.

Inspired by God's Word in the silence
we share from our hearts.

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To Ponder: Joan Halifax

Being awake is love. That's what it is. It's certainly not hate. It's certainly not fear. But what it is, it's a sense of being not separate from all the suffering and all of the emptiness, all of the compassion, all of the wisdom, all of the liberation, and all of the enslavement, to understand we're all that.

We're in a threshold experience right now. We're in this kind of situation where we don't have any time to waste. And I like the Zen evening verse that we chant that goes, 'Life and death are of supreme importance. Time passes swiftly, and the opportunity is lost. Let us awaken, awaken. Do not squander your life.'

Reading: The Rt. Rev. Steven Charleston, elder of the Choctaw Nation and retired Episcopal bishop of Alaska

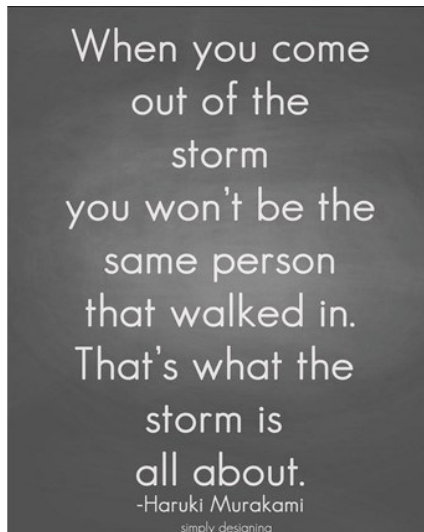
"They say as you get older you get more set in your ways. That's alright with me. I am getting set in my ways. In fact, I am getting downright stubborn.

I refuse to believe that greed will triumph over justice,
that racism is an incurable social disease,
that hunger and poverty cannot be overcome,
or that our planet cannot be restored to its beauty as
a garden of life.

I am stubborn in my faith and optimism.
I am tenacious in love,
constant in compassion,
unwavering in my ability to laugh,
especially at myself.

I hope many of you are getting set into these ways too.

Let us be the curmudgeons of joy."



Sharing...

a word...

a phrase...

a reflection...