

## *Travelin' Thru* Dolly Parton

Well I can't tell you where I'm going, I'm not sure of where I've been  
But I know I must keep travelin' till my road comes to an end  
I'm out here on my journey, trying to make the most of it  
I'm a puzzle, I must figure out where all my pieces fit  
Like a poor wayfaring stranger that they speak about in song  
I'm just a weary pilgrim trying to find what feels like home  
Where that is no one can tell me, am I doomed to ever roam  
I'm just travelin', travelin', travelin', I'm just travelin' on

Questions I have many, answers but a few  
But we're here to learn, the spirit burns, to know the greater truth  
We've all been crucified and they nailed Jesus to the tree  
And when I'm born again, you're gonna see a change in me  
God made me for a reason and nothing is in vain  
Redemption comes in many shapes with many kinds of pain  
Oh sweet Jesus if you're listening, keep me ever close to you  
As I'm stumblin', tumblin', wonderin', as I'm travelin' thru

Oh sometimes the road is rugged, and it's hard to travel on  
But holdin' to each other, we don't have to walk alone  
When everything is broken, we can mend it if we try  
We can make a world of difference, if we want to we can fly  
Goodbye little children, goodnight you handsome men  
Farewell to all you ladies and to all who knew me when  
And I hope I'll see you down the road, you meant more than I knew  
As I was travelin', travelin', travelin', travelin', travelin' thru

Drifting like a floating boat and roaming like the wind  
Oh give me some direction lord, let me lean on you  
As I'm travelin', travelin', travelin', thru

Like the poor wayfaring stranger that they speak about in song  
I'm just a weary pilgrim trying to find my own way home  
Oh sweet Jesus if you're out there, keep me ever close to you

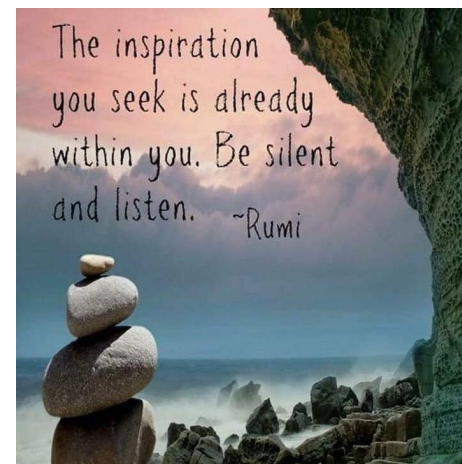
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## God Is in Your Heart



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: Roberta Grimes Blog

Now we can have God without the barrier of religions between us, we are truly entering a new age. Indeed nothing to do with any religion, because all religions are human made and they are fading in this twenty-first century as we outgrow our need for them, and we also grow beyond our leaders untrue and bullying lie of atheism. Now we once again can seek and find in our own hearts the God who always has been quietly there. Before all religions there is the one creator God, the One God that Jesus refers to as Father, and as a Spirit. The One who is the highest aspect of Consciousness, and is only PERFECT LOVE. Please look around you now at each beautiful face, and know that those faces, those hillsides, those cities, majestic trees and green grass... literally nothing you can see whatsoever, not a single star in the cosmos could exist if there is no Creator God.

### Reminders:

Come on time or **better yet, come early!**  
Honor the silence  
Share briefly from personal experience  
Listen to each other  
Discussion (cross talk) is for after the hour of prayer

## Reading: Look Up, Ibn 'Arabi

Look up and gaze at the farthest stars.

Freedom will come when we believe,  
as free as fallen leaves in winter,  
as free as the wind in its mysterious pathway,  
as free as a baby trusting new faces,  
as free as a passionate lover  
selling his soul to the unknown.

You are not hinged to your cage; leave it in the temple  
and run with me in the meadows of love  
where God grows sisters and brothers for you.  
Run under the new joy until your bones get older.

Then, bury them in the palm of God;  
they will sprout as new stars for every possible future.

Ibn 'Arabī (1165–1240) was an Andalusī Muslim scholar, mystic, poet, and philosopher, extremely influential within Islamic thought.

**Sharing...**  
**a word...**  
**a phrase...**  
**a reflection...**