

## Reflection Friday Week 25 - 2020

When Peter said to Jesus *"You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God!"* Did he fully understand what he was saying? A few minutes later he is chastised by Jesus for saying he should not have to suffer an ignominious death, so, obviously not. Following the lives of the apostles, it is obvious that their understanding of Jesus was continually evolving being shaped and reshaped, time and time again. As Ecclesiastes suggests, we need time. The importance and value of each moment in time offers something different. In effect, our picture and understanding of Jesus, his relationship with us, our relationship with him, is in a constant state of change and evolution. The final picture and understanding will only be achieved in heaven. Ecclesiastes suggests that as we pass through time there is something new to be discovered each step along the way. Scripture gave us the image of a potter, we being the clay. Potters continually shape and reshape the clay they are moulding until they achieve the desired result. Sometimes it involves starting again and again. This can also apply to our image of God which, at times in our lives, we decide to set aside and start again because our understanding of God has changed considerably. Just as the clay continues to remain clay through the process of its moulding, God will remain God throughout all our moulding processes of his image. Of course, we harbour a deep belief that, however good our picture of God, the reality will be totally different and mind-blowing, far beyond wonder, magnificence and beauty and yet the fulfilment of our dreams. Time offers the opportunity to explore our image of God in the knowledge that, however good our image, there is always some greater insight of God to be discovered and shared.

What is this life if, full of care,	you never notice God is there?
No time to call upon His name	(Just keep Him close enough to blame.)
No time to stop and simply rest,	enjoy His comfort and be blessed.
No time to gaze on morning dew	and see the art God made for you.
No time to read God's Holy word	and ponder on the thoughts you've heard.
No time for you to open wide	your heart and let Jesus inside.
No moment when you can respond	and make, with God, a personal bond.
A poor life this, if by the end	you've not let Jesus be your friend!!

### A time travel Joke!!!

Patient: Doctor, doctor, I keep seeing into the future!

Doctor: When did this start?

Patient: Next Thursday afternoon.