

Reflection Thursday Week 7 – 2-22

The way we live our lives involves a daily conversion. Each day has something new to offer not to be missed. Good actions are needed all the time and for the right reasons. Failing to do good, when we can, is an insult to Jesus and to God. The climate is in an emergency, which the current storms have emphasised. Doing a little bit here and little bit there is not enough. The planet will have disappeared before we know it and the suffering to follow will have no solution except greater suffering and death. Jesus recognised this well-before we began destroying the planet out of pure greed.

You can make a difference *(A story of encouragement)*

There was once a wise man who would go to the ocean to do his writing. Once there he would walk along the beach before he began his work.

One day as he was walking along the beach when he saw a human figure moving like a dancer. He smiled to himself to think of someone dancing joyfully to the day. So, he began to walk faster to catch up. As he drew closer, he saw that it was a young man who wasn't dancing but reaching down to the shore, picking up something and very gently throwing it out into the ocean. Drawing closer to the man, he called out, *"Good morning! What are you doing?"* The young man paused, looked up and replied,

"Throwing starfish into the ocean."

"I guess I should have asked, why are you throwing starfish into the ocean?"

"The sun is up and the tide is going out. And, if I don't throw them in, they'll die."

"But, young man, don't you realize that there are miles and miles of beach with starfish all along it. You can't possibly make a difference!"

The young man listened politely, then he bent down, picked up another starfish and threw it out into the sea, past the breaking waves and said, ***"It made a difference for that one!!"***

- ***Know the Difference between a good lawyer and a great lawyer? A good lawyer knows the law. A great lawyer knows the judge.***
- ***What's the difference between black eye peas and chick peas? Black eye peas can sing us a song; chick peas can only hummus one***