

Reflection Thursday Week 17 – 2022

Bringing out of the storehouse things both old and new is a reference to the Old and New Testaments. Jesus had come to fulfil the promises of the Old Testament intricately linking the two Testaments. We are challenged to understand the Old Testament in a way that helps us fully appreciate the New Testament. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us do this.

It is encouraging to hear Jeremiah liken God to a potter. It suggests that in producing each of us, God is not satisfied until we are made to perfection which is translated into being made in the image of God. We are made to reflect God and the two Testaments provide the help we need to do this. It also allows for each of us being unique. And, it is together that we better reflect the true image of God.

The more we find God in others or in creation, the more present God becomes in our lives.

*It was only a small wind
rather gentle, like a breeze.*

*It blew a strand of hair across my forehead
and I knew that it was God.*

*I was awakened by a tiny gleam of light
it slipped through my curtain, onto my face.
It drew me to my feet and on to the window
Drawing back the curtains
dawn stepped softly into my room.
I knew that it was God.*

*Rain fell gently on the thirsty ground.
Slowly, carefully, steadily it came
to an earth parched with waiting.
Through those holy raindrops
I walked, unafraid — without an umbrella.
I knew that it was God.*

*O God, I cried,
endearing One, I love you!
You cannot hide from me.
Between the cracks of daily life
I find you waiting
to be adored.
You slip into my life
like night and day
like stars and sunshine.
I know that you are God. Macrina Wiederkehr*

“A vessel is formed from a lump of clay with care; however, it is the empty space within the vessel that makes it useful”. Laozi

A friendly reminder to avoid all pottery while the new illness continues. They say the virus originated in china.

My dyslexic son came last in the school pottery contest... He wrote a poem.