

Reflection Monday Week 27 – 2022

On Sunday Jesus invited us to reflect on our faith. Faith helps us see how God is present in the world around us, in the people we meet and in ourselves. Jesus linked faith to service. Faith helps us not only see how we can help others but also inspires within us a desire to reach out to those in need, in whatever form that may take. Faith also encourages us to see life being full of opportunities, even in the negativity we encounter in the forms of hostility and rejection. Faith helps us turn them into possibilities to do good. The most extreme and the best example of this is Jesus turning his suffering and death into life which he shares with us all.

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Life wasn't meant to be easy, a time to lay down and rest,
life's a process of learning with many a trial and test.
Life's not a bed of sweet roses or a sunny beach on the shore,
the hurdles we face are many, there's much that one must endure.

Yet, all the while we are traveling, God is fully aware,
we're pilgrims, this place is not permanent, a wee space of time that we share.
But we have a mission, a duty, a call to the lost must go out,
the message of Jesus the Saviour is what our journey's about.

Try to remember your calling, this whole thing is not about you;
God has requested your service, and to that mission you need to be true.
God's not concerned about numbers, it's faithfulness He desires,
You take the message of Jesus; the Spirit's the One who inspires.

Leave the results with the Saviour, diligently pray and prod;
Earnestly follow His guidance, and leave the results up to God.

In a Catholic school cafeteria, a nun places a note in front of a pile of apples, "Only take one. God is watching." Further down the line is a pile of biscuits. A little boy puts this own note in front of them, "***Take all you want. God is watching the apples.***"