Persistence Pray and not lose heart.

There is always in our faith a strong expression of the ordinary found in the extraordinary revelations and practices.

Sometimes in things such a meditation this path to peace seems other worldly.

Sometimes the common sense of forgiveness appears too ordinary

However all that is rooted in the Gospel

is to be found in life

Is to be found in your life

Faithfulness

Persistence

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Do you believe in yourself

You are called by your Christian Faith to believe in yourself

And to place that self within the life in Christ

Thus you fail

You live forgiveness

And you begin again

Thus you succeed

You recognise the limitations

And you begin again

Thus you accept

You celebrate the love that is there that day

And you begin again

Attempt becomes practice

Practice becomes habit

Habit becomes a part of what you are

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Is to be found in your life

Do you believe in the love of our world?

You are called by your Christian faith to believe in creation

And to place that creation within the life of Christ

Thus you eat

You live the gift

And celebrate this source of strength

Thus you breathe

The oxygen enters your bloodstream

There is sensation, and vision, and stimulation and life

Thus you feel

The cold, the heat, the wind, the rain

There is a new dawn and you attempt to enter in

Attempt becomes practice

Practice becomes habit

Habit becomes a part of what you are

Do you believe in Gods People?

You are called by your Christian faith to believe in God's children

And to place each of them within the life of Christ

Thus you speak

You open your vulnerable soul

You let them in

Thus you care

You share in the crucifixion

And the resurrection of life

Thus you grow older

You watch them grow older

You attempt to give goodness

Attempt becomes practice

Practice becomes habit

Habit becomes a part of what you are

My beloved mother did not do acts of kindness. Kindness was just a natural part of her learned nature.

Fr Sharp who sounded like Winnie the Pooh as he hummed his way through mass did not say his prayers. Prayer was a part of his learned nature.

Even my auntie Totty did not feed us whenever we visited. Food humour hospitality were all a part of her learned nature

Jesus told his disciples a parable to the effect that they ought to pray and not lose heart

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