

Miracle Blind Man

Jesus spat on the ground

Jesus made a paste

Jesus touched the Blind man's broken eyes

Then sent him to wash

All of these physical actions

All of these involving texture, and substance, bodily contact, physical sensations

Jesus reaches out in a very human way

Too often we separate the Christ from the physical presence on earth

Jesus was incarnate

Fully God and Fully human

Therefore as people of faith we respect creation

We celebrate the physical

The family cook

Takes knives, and vegetables, and water, and flour, and heat, and bowls of combinations.

The physical sensation of cutting

And squeezing

Smearing and adding

The smells emerging

The mess that needs clearing

The eager eating

Digesting

Enjoying

All very tangible

All beautiful

And Christ being physical

All a revelation of our faith

The tired sensation of getting into bed
The sheets and pillows and divan or blankets
Creating the nest of our rest
The slow warming from body heat
The moving into position
The release of tension
The hope of oblivion
The sanctuary of this nocturnal womb
All very tangible
All beautiful
And Christ being physical
All a revelation of our faith

The involuntary grunt made turning from the flower bed
The moist promise of the soil
The firm sinking of the spade
The gentle touch of the trowel
Then the miracle of growth
And patient emergence of bud or flower
The body tired but blessed by the work
The church expressed in the garden
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