

The Path I Feared

I said, "Let me walk in the field."
He said, "No; walk in the town."
I said, "There are no flowers there."
He said, "No flowers, but a crown."
I said, "But the skies are black,
There is nothing but noise and din."
And He wept as He sent me back.
"There is more," He said; "there is sin."
I said, "But the air is thick
And fogs are veiling the sun."
He answered, "Yet souls are sick,
And souls in the dark undone."
I said, "I shall miss the light,
And friends will miss me, they say."

He answered, "Choose tonight
If I am to miss you, or they."
I pleaded for time to be given.
He said, "Is it hard to decide?
It will not seem hard in Heaven
To have followed the steps of
your Guide."
I cast one look at the fields,
Then set my face to the town;
I said: "My child, do you yield?
Will you leave the flowers for
the crown?"
Then into His hand went mine;
And into my heart came He;
And I walk in a light Divine.
The path I had feared to see.
—George McDonald

*Our first task in approaching
another people
another culture
another religion
is to take off our shoes
for the place we are
approaching is holy.
Else we may find ourselves
treading on anothers
dream. More serious
still, we may forget....
that God
was there before our arrival.*

**“All men’s lives are fairy
tales written by the fingers
of God.”**

Hans Christian Andersen (1805–1875)

Discipleship

A young man was apprenticed to a master artist who produced the most beautiful stained glass windows anywhere. The apprentice could not approach the master's genius, so he borrowed his master's tools, thinking that was the answer. After several weeks, the young man said to his teacher, "I'm not doing any better with your tools than I did with mine." The teacher replied, "So, it's not the *tools* of the master you need; it's the *spirit* of the master you need."

**Listen Closely
To Jesus' Message**

**commitment to the call of Christ
for a new generation of disciples.**

Whatever gift is given to them comes through them to uplift one or more in this world, to perform a God-function, not a personal one

NO NEED

Where there is faith
There is Love.
Where there is Love,
There is God.
Where there is God.
There is no need.

CrossSeekers pledge themselves to the following covenant with God:

1. I WILL BE A PERSON OF INTEGRITY.
2. I WILL PURSUE CONSISTENT SPIRITUAL GROWTH.
3. I WILL SPEAK AND LIVE A RELEVANT, AUTHENTIC AND CONSISTENT WITNESS.
4. I WILL SEEK OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME.
5. I WILL HONOR MY BODY AS THE TEMPLE OF GOD, DEDICATED TO A LIFESTYLE OF PURITY.
6. I WILL BE GODLY IN ALL THINGS, CHRISTLIKE IN ALL RELATIONSHIPS.

BEING A CROSSSEEKER MEANS BREAKING AWAY FROM TRITE, LAISSEZ FAIRE CHRISTIAN LIVING AND ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE TO DIVINE DARING, TO CONSECRATED RECKLESSNESS FOR CHRIST, TO DEVOUT ADVENTURE IN THE FACE OF RIDICULING CONTEMPORARIES.

Are YOU willing to be a CrossSeeker?