

—Moments with the Master—



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**A series of 50 topics for refreshing
and reflecting in quiet moments.**

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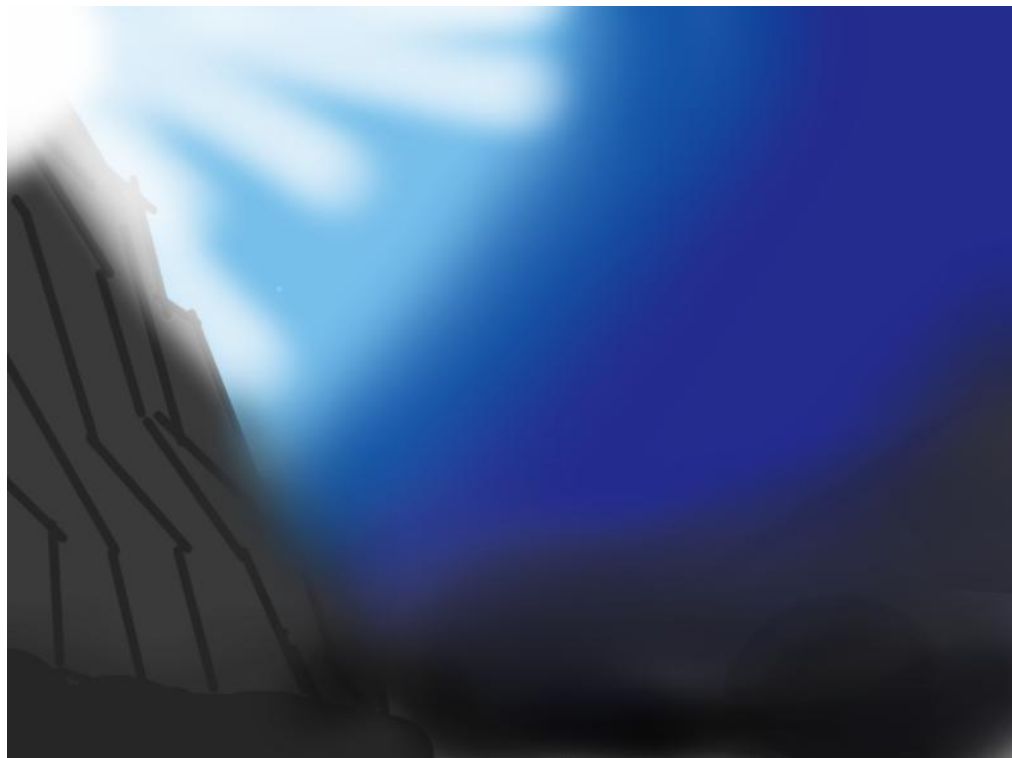
**Each topic includes writings such as true stories, reflections, poems,
words from Jesus, scriptures, praises and prayers, along with lovely
contributed illustrations and photos to add colour and artistic beauty.**

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Thank You, Jesus! I love You! And I'm so thankful for how well You know me and what gifts are best for me to have. I'm just glad to let You lead.

I won't worry about whether I'm good enough or if I make a mistake. Just bless me the way You think is best. And use me for Your glory.

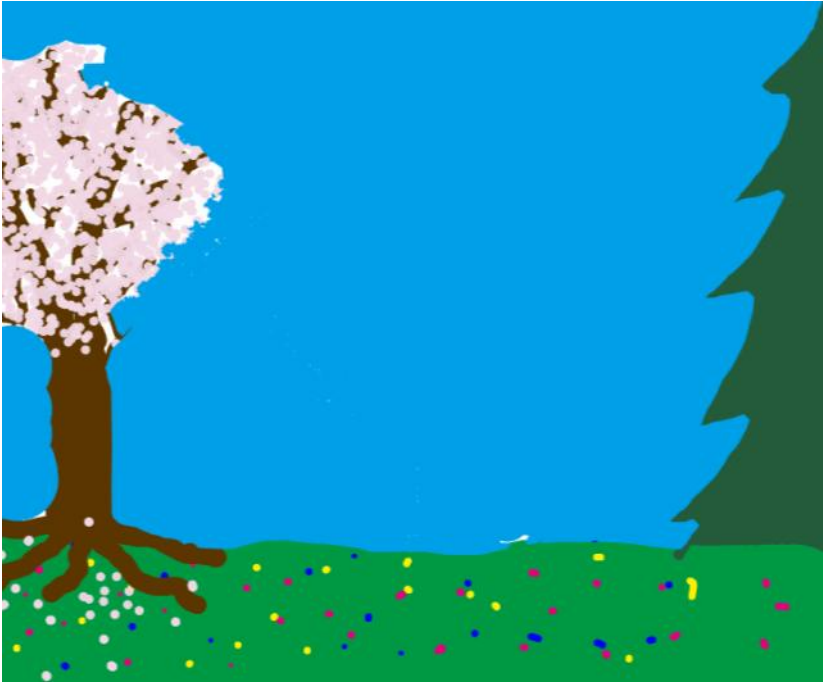


The Unclaimed Gift

I gave my friend a priceless gift.
She did not look inside.
She did not lift the lid to find
what treasures it might hide.

"Your gift I'll open one day soon,"
she promised with a smile,
but first I'll just enjoy its beauty
for a little while.

I visited her frequently;
each day I hoped to see
some evidence that she'd unwrapped
this precious gift from me.



Time passed, and she forgot my gift.
Unclaimed, its treasures hide.
A gift is but an empty box,
if no one looks inside.

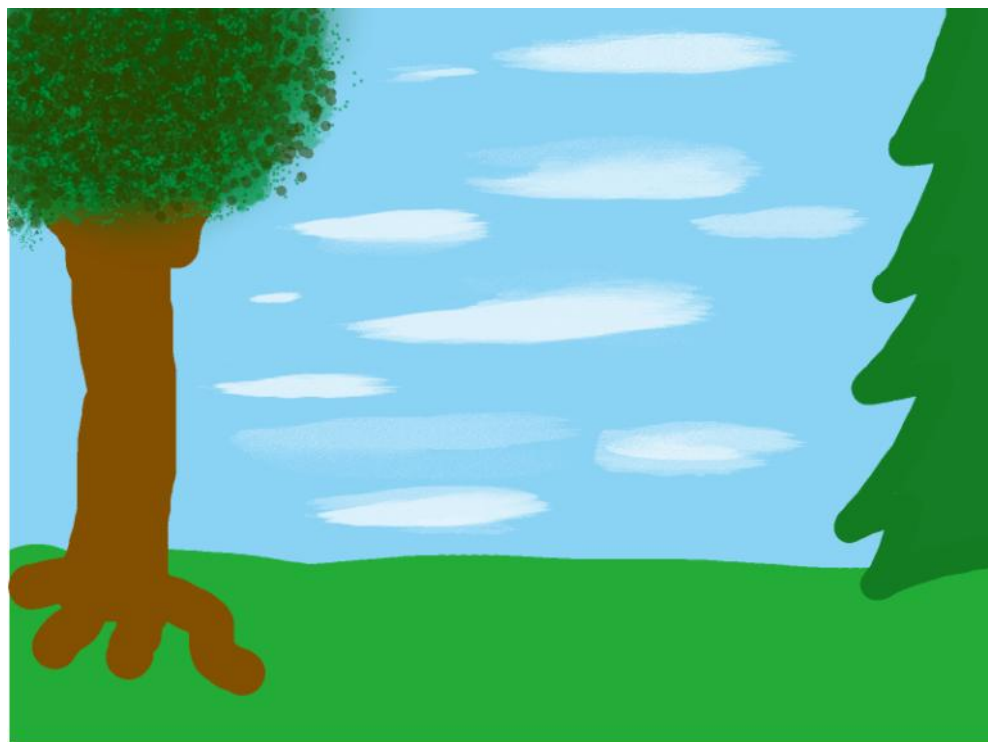
The Spirit is a gift from God
to dwell within our hearts.
Receiving it means opening
each gift that it imparts.

If we confine the Spirit to
a place on our hearts' shelves,
we render God's gift empty and
are left to bless only ourselves.

—By Susan Noyes Anderson



(Jesus says:) The gifts and talents that someone has are not of themselves. They are gifts from My hand. So, do not glory in your gifts and talents but give Me the glory. Do your best with what you have been given, knowing that I will reward you accordingly for a job well done. I will reward you both in this life and in the life to come. In this life, I will give you your heart's desire and in the life to come, I will crown you with a crown of glory!



We have all been given a special gift that we can use to help someone else. No matter whether it is big or small, we can use our gifts for God's glory. If you are not sure what gift or talent you have, ask Jesus to show you what it is. It may be something you consider a natural ability or talent, but when it's dedicated to the Lord, He can use it for His purpose. Even our natural abilities are a gift from God! He has given them to us so we can use them to encourage and inspire others.



But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

(1 Corinthians 12:31; 13:1-2)