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Thursday

Quotes

"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and (Creator) of all, who is above all and through all and in all."

--- Ephesians 4:4-6, New Revised Standard Version Bible

"The theologian, Albert Outler, taught theology class at the Methodist seminary. In class, a student said, 'I've come to the conclusion I don't believe in God.' Albert Outler responded, 'Tell me the God you don't believe in, because I may not believe in (that God) either.'"

----Richard Deats,
European American author, retired staff member of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, Nyack, New York

"I have lived most of my life near a large body of water and early thought of God as being like an ocean - vast, constantly in motion, at times calm and supportive, at times wild and destructive."

---Elizabeth Watson (1914-2006),
European American Quaker woman and author of Guests of My Life

Queries

In what way(s) do I experience or define God?

How has my perception(s) of God changed, diminished, or expanded?
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Friday

"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men (nor women nor children) light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men (and women and children), that they may see your good works, and glorify your (God) which is in heaven."

---Matthew 5:14-16 King James Version of the Bible

"To turn all we possess into the channel of universal love becomes the Work of our lives."

---John Woolman

In what ways do I live an authentic, honest life?

When have I listened attentively to my inner voice?

How do I keep my heart open to joy and suffering?
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SATURDAY

Quotes

"But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee: Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee."

- Job 12:7-8, King James Version of the Bible

"In spite of 'the weight of the sad time,' I bring you a message of hope. For I believe our young people can yet save the world. The revolution that is needed now is already taking place in the minds and lives of some of them. They have a dream of a somehow strangely better world than the one they have inherited, and they are living as if it were already visible, already here. They step to a different drummer."

- Elizabeth Watson

Queries

What is Earth asking of us? of me?

What are we - am I - asking of Earth?