

A Contemplative Adaptation of Psalm 92, Nan Merrill

How wondrous is your Divine Plan, O Beloved,
Your design, brought forth by Love!
The ignorant cannot perceive,
those who still sleep cannot understand:
Though darkness covers much of the land
and violence seems to flourish,
Love gives birth to dazzling Light,
and, like a laser, it shines through to all that is hidden.
Yet, lo, all those who separate themselves from Love,
will be undone by fear.

You delight in my spirit and elevate my soul;
You bathe me in the oil of kindness.
My eyes behold the radiance of creation's glory,
my ears echo with Love's refrain.
Those who live with integrity
are like a garden in full bloom,
whose blossoms beautify the earth.
They are planted in the dwelling place of Love,
their produce nourishes all those who pass by.
All through their lives they reap bountiful harvests,
overflowing as a cornucopia of the finest of fruits,
Magnifying the Blessed Gardener,
living as sons and daughters of the Most High.

Read.....Reflect.....Respond.....Rest

Leader: Holy God, we have listened for Your Word.
All: We receive it with grateful hearts.
Leader: Let what is from You remain within us.
All: And bear fruit in our living.
Leader: We go now in peace.
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.