

Awaiting Sunday's Dawn

Peering from the window, I see the start of early morning light reflecting from the pond. As I sip my second cup of coffee, anticipating the sunrise, I begin to ponder what is taking place outside. The still small voice within is persuading me to join Him outside. The thought reigns in my head: "Sit on the bridge--take it in." I tie my shoes and zip my coat, grab my cup of coffee, and consider the wonder of awaiting Sunday's dawn. Stepping on the bridge I consider the fish I saw the day before, knowing they are there and wondering what they do as they wait for the sun to appear.

I sit breathing, looking, waiting.... closing my eyes I listen and know that God is in everything and everywhere and that He enjoys this time and delights in my being.

Hearing the rustling of the trees I open my eyes and see the first sparrow of the morning fly by. I think, "He is hungry and ready for the day even in the chilliness of the morning." I hear a "plop" in the water and glance to see what is there, but only see the after effects of the ripples in the pond. Many things are running through my mind: scripture, words of wisdom, phrases, and the still small voice of God my Savior. There are many things in my mind, but not clutter.

As I sit waiting, I look at the horizon. I gasp in delight as out of the tree line come a doe and her little one. They are only outlines, but very clear to me as they trot across the harvested corn field. The momma goes ahead in her grace glancing back to make sure her little one is following. He gets some distance behind her and as he sees her glance back he trots swiftly to catch up with her. Oh, how I would love for them to come down to drink from the pond so that I could observe them more closely. But no, they head across the road to the next corn field out of sight.

More "plops" catch my attention as I realize that there is natural food on the water for the fish.

I am amazed at this glorious simple beauty. I feel the breeze on my face as the daylight continues to come. A new day to take in every breath--to be fully present in every moment--to live and laugh and love and learn.