

Epiphany

-WALTER BRUGGEMAN

Give us freedom
like theirs
to yield,
to worship,
to adore,
to have our lives
contradicted.

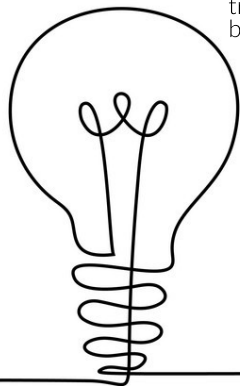


Give us grace like theirs
to embrace the foolishness of the child,
that the first will be last and the last first,
that the humble will be exalted and the exalted humbled,
that we may lose the world and gain our lives.

Give us the imagination like theirs to go home by another
route on the path where foolishness is wisdom and
weakness is strength and poverty is wealth.

Make our foolishness specific that the world might
become - through us - **new**.

After meeting Jesus, the bible tells us the Magi returned to their country "by another way". We've all been challenged to reimagine new ways to live out our faith. This Epiphany ornament is an invitation to rethink how you honor and serve Christ alive in the world today. Pray the prayer on the front and choose one (or a couple!) of the ideas below and commit to trying something new this year. See the website below for more details and additional ideas!



- Engage in conversation with someone you disagree with... listen and ask lots of questions.
- Commit to making one small change to simplify your lifestyle, a conscious effort to be in solidarity with those that lack basic needs.
- Call to mind an organization you have donated to or volunteered with. Research what is being done to eliminate the root cause of this issue and create systematic change.
- Make a special effort to reach out to or include someone who may be an "outsider"
- Choose a disposabl item you use often and commit to replacing it with a reusable one.
- _____ (your idea here!)

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