"Yaweh" by Jari Kobe

From the first break of light To last days
Every echo of time Every evening face
You always been there

From a baby's first cry To last breath Every fight in our minds Every victory dance You've always been there

> Ancient One, so amazing Unfailing You are Holy One, overwhelming My heart with Your love Yahweh, Yahweh Faithful God You're here to stay Yahweh, Yahweh Forever and always the same

Where the sky meets the sea And breaks free When compassion and love Are met with me You've always been there

Ancient One, so amazing Unfailing You are Holy one, overwhelming My heart with Your love

Yahweh, Yahweh Faithful God, You're here to stay Yahweh, Yahweh Forever and always the same

All consuming Everlasting God almighty Lord of glory

Thank You For Joining Us!

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Beyond Forms to the True Self in God





Our prayer is characterized by silence ~

Be still and know that I am God!

In that silence we listen for a new word.

God is present in all our lives.

God cares for us, and

our life experiences are a source
of deepening knowledge of God and self.

Inspired by God's Word in the silence we share from our hearts.

To Ponder: Deepening Connection July 27, 2017 Daily Meditations by Richard Rohr

If we would imitate Jesus in very practical ways, the Christian religion would be made-to-order to grease the wheels of human consciousness toward love. nonviolence, justice, inclusivity, and care for creation. Mature religion serves as a conveyor belt for the evolution of human consciousness. Immature religion actually stalls people at very early stages of magical, mythic, and tribal consciousness, while they are convinced they are enlightened or "saved." Then we are more a part of the problem than offering any kind of solution. Only the nondual and mystical mind gets us all the way through, and that happens only by continual enlargement of the True Self and continual loss of the small ego self... God is forever evolving human consciousness, making us ever more ready for God. The Jewish prophets, Jesus himself (Mark 2:19-20), and many Hindu, Catholic, and Sufi mystics used words like wedding, espousal, marriage, or bride and groom to describe this phenomenon. That's what the prophet Isaiah (61:10, 62:5), many of the Psalms, the school of Paul (Ephesians 5:25-32), and the Book of Revelation (19:7-8, 21:2) mean by "preparing a bride to be ready for her husband." The human soul is being gradually readied so that intimacy and partnership with the Divine are the final result. Note that such salvation is a social and cosmic concept, and not just about isolated individuals "going to heaven." The Church was meant to bring this corporate salvation to conscious and visible possibility,...

Reading: Psalm 3 Redux by Carla Grosch-Miller

The sins of religion have gone public:

Rigidity, hypocrisy, intolerance, willful ignorance, and worse— The crushing of the spirit of those who God cherishes, The dealing of death to those whose life is precious.

In response, many are faith's foes.

Talk of the Holy is met with disdain and mockery.

But You, O God, continue to re-create the world,
Dancing at the fragile edge,
Breathing at the margins,
In vulnerability offering yourself,
Again and again.

You call us into quiet, into a nurturing beyond words. You strengthen our backs and stretch our hearts. You lift our heads and spur our songs. You move in and beyond us, Inviting us to fashion the world anew in love.

Each day I awaken, Aware of your sustaining presence Which holds the planets And sparks our imaginations.

There is nothing to fear, though much to lose.
When we turn away from You,
We turn away from life.



Sharing...
a word...
a phrase...
a reflection...