

Taking A Risk

I don't like roller coasters! I don't really like heights. But I have occasionally ridden just a small roller coaster or looked out over a high building. If you don't occasionally take a risk you can miss out on really living life. This Eucharist invites us to take a risk and respond to Jesus' invitation to live life in all its fullness in relationship with God and one another.

Come to me, all of you,
and I will give you rest.

He doesn't mean me.
Nobody could want me
Not really.

Come to me, all of you,
and I will give you rest.

He's just being polite
A religious formula
He doesn't really mean it.

Come to me, all of you,
and I will give you rest.

I've been hurt too many times
Rejected too many times
Dismissed too many times.

Better to stay on my own
Better to hide on my own
Better to live on my own

But that isn't living
That's not a life
Skulking in corners
hiding from all the highs and lows
running from all the risks and rewards
covering behind your excuses
Come to me, all of you
and I will give you life.

Life, in all its fullness.
Life, in all its richness.
Life, in all its joy.

Life, in all its pain.
Life, in all its injustice.
Life, in all its sorrow.

Take, eat. This is my body.
Take, eat. This is my life.
Take, eat. I want you to share it.
Take, eat, remember.

[Share bread]

Take, drink. This is my blood.
Take, drink. This is what gives us both life.
This is what ties me to you.
This is what seals our contract.

[Share wine]

You have chosen to take the risk.
To come out of your shell
You have eaten my body
and drunk my blood.
Remember that.
Remember me.
Remember the life you have been given.
Now, go out and live.

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