

Holy Week Reflection 'Silhouettes'

The silhouettes of trees, are the darkened shapes of the seasons' daylight dreams.....

Burnished shades of Autumn, Winter's skeletal branches, spurtings of Spring life and strains of summer's rainbow hue are disguised by the dusk and camouflaged by the blackness of night.

Moonlight catches the tiara of jewels that make up the sky's starry horizon, until they fall, for the sun to crown the day.

This is part of a chapter of the book: **Life? It's what you do with it that counts ... +++**

The crosses in the title can be read as 'plus' signs or 'crosses'

We can choose to stay in the shadows with the silhouette, which still has its Maker's handiwork. Or, to be taken into another dimension, which God alone can paint with all the fullness of colours from His palette of light.... giving us the depth, height and breadth that captures the whole picture of our individual personality and character.

Easter bursts into colour when we allow ourselves to be drawn out of the shadows to live the risen life of followers of Jesus, in this life and the next.

God made all the wonders of the world and men and women, who could release their colours, as they cared for the creation. Have a read of these from the thousand and one verses I could have chosen:

Psalm 18: 28b 'My God turns my darkness into light.

Psalm 8: 3,9 'When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have set in place.... Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!'

Psalm 148: 3-5 'Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies, for he commanded and they were created'.

Genesis 1: 28 'God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground; every seed-bearing plant, every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food....God saw all that he had made and it was very good"'.

When we walk in the light of partnership with God.... in the ways he prepared for us, we and everything else takes on their true colour and life thrives. Our choice is to allow him to bring out our potential, so that we may go and do likewise.... in others.....

