THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Thursday 12th January 2023

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Courage.

Unfortunately, many parts of our world today are engaged in war and conflict. Even the war and conflict between Russia and Ukraine (the West), China and Iran and the Middle East remains a tinderbox ready to ignite.

We are reminded in Mark's gospel "Take courage . . . don't be afraid" Mark 6. 50 NIV.

The remedy is love, faith and courage. God's love for us is so intense, so profligate, so all forgiving that we should never be burdened by guilt or fear. In God's love we can become like infants, blissfully and safely asleep in his hands, where nothing else matters. Do we ever feel like this? If not, then we need to remind ourselves of the truth that however helpless or unworthy or frightened we are, Jesus felt that we were worth dying for.

Bible Passage: Mark 6: 45 - 52

Prayer:

Lord, let me experience the love you have for me, the love which drives away fear and equips me with faith and courage. From the vantage point of your arms show me how I can face my fears and how my worries will look so much smaller.