## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

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The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Perhaps the most important we ever give each other is our attention.

- ..... a loving silence often has far more power to heal and to connect than the most well-intentioned words.
- Rachel Naomi Remen. From Everyday Blessings Hodder and Stoughton

I am not always good at listening, but it is good to listen. When we pray do we listen to God?

Helen Keller was a remarkable woman, deaf and blind but an amazing communicator with a great faith.

She said "Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement.

Nothing can be done without hope and confidence."

- Everyday Blessings. Hodder and Stoughton

The Holy Spirit helps too.

"It's impossible " said pride.

"It's risky," said experience.

"It's pointless " said reason.

"Give it a try" whispered the heart.

- Anon in Everyday Blessings. Hodder and Stoughton