THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Wednesday 26th April 2023

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Lord of the Dance

I love this scene from the TV series Rev.

On Easter morning, Rev Adam meets a mysterious stranger after a very bad night.

The stranger joins him in a song and dance as they sing Lord of the dance. And when the stranger speaks his name, it slowly dawns on Adam who the stranger is.

He says to Adam, "Adam, Adam, we all have our crosses to bear. I understand Adam. I will always be here"

Something that strikes me about the resurrection appearances of Jesus, in the bible, is that often people did not recognise him at first.

On the first Easter morning, Mary, did not recognise him at first.

But she did when He called her name.

Mary cries for joy and hugs Jesus, not wanting to let Him go.

They might have danced a little!

If we were to add our names in the blank spaces, what would it mean for us to hear Jesus say to us:

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BIBLE VERSE:

(Jesus said to His disciples) ...And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." - Matthew 28:20

BIBLE PASSAGE:

- 11 Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb 12 and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.
- 13 They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." 14 At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

15 He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

16 Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father.

- John 20:11-16