

Thought for the day – Thursday 11th April 2024

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Luke 23.24

Father, Forgive

Father, forgive, and so forgiveness flows,
Flows from the very wound our hatred makes,
Flows through the taunts, the curses and the blows;
Flows through our wasted world, a healing spring,
Welling and cleansing, washing all the marks
Away, the scores and scars of every wrong.
Forgiveness flows to where we need it most
Right in the pit and smithy of our sin
Just where the dreadful nails are driven in,
Just where our woundedness has done it's worst,
We know your cry of pain should be a curse,
Yet turn to you and find we have been blessed
We know not what we do, but heaven knows,
For every sin on earth, forgiveness flows.

Parable and Paradox. Canterbury Press

The events of Good Friday are so moving. Meditating on the stations of the Cross and reading the Passion Gospel are good.