

**Thought for the day – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

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**Jesus in the wilderness**

Jesus, our true king,  
when you were tempted in the wilderness,  
You rejected the way of easy popularity  
and chose instead a path of humiliation  
at the hands of those you had come to love.  
Give us the wisdom to see  
when it is necessary  
to be , like you  
a fool in the eyes of the world  
and keep us always true to you.

Angela Ashwin from The Book of 1000 Prayers. Zondervan

I like Angela's prayers. I am reminded of the weekend of ordination when we were trained in the art and theology of the clown. ( I liked the invisible juggling)  
Do you remember the portrayal of Jesus in Godspel ? (David Essex was good)