

Thought for the day – Monday 23rd May 2022

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Seasons with the Spirit Resurrection.

I am glad that we have a good while to celebrate in Easter ;
Peggy Day wrote this.

Resurrection

In the beginning, a garden
where God and man
strolled in the scented twilight –
till the night began.

In the fullness of time in a garden
the Kingdom began
with sunrise, a weeping woman,
and a risen man.

But he, the Lord of the garden
is still betrayed
by those he trusted to cherish
the glory he made.

Unthinking we seized on his bounty
giving nothing back,
and made of his garden a desert
of ruin and wrack.

Oh, master gardener , hear us—

hear and forgive
our greed, our pride, our presumption,
teach us to live
in simplicity, charity, prudence,
guarding the earth,
tending your derelict garden
to joyful re-birth.

So when you shall come in splendour
to reprove and bless,
you may find us at work in a garden –
not a wilderness.

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It is good to meditate in gardens. Thanks to all our gardeners.