

Thought for the day – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023

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Parable and Paradox    The Beatitudes    Malcolm Guite

I bless you, who have spelt your blessings out,  
And set this lovely lantern on a hill  
Lightening darkness and dispelling doubt  
By lifting for a little, while the veil,  
For longing is the veil of satisfaction.  
And grief the veil of future happiness  
I glimpse beneath the veil of persecution  
The coming Kingdom's overflowing bliss.

Oh, make me pure of heart and help me see  
Amongst the shadows and amidst the mourning  
The promised Comforter, alive and free  
The Kingdom coming and the Son returning  
That even in this pre-dawn dark I might  
At once reveal and revel in your light.

Malcolm quotes this poem in his book *Lifting the Veil Imagination and the Kingdom of God*.

He is reflecting on creativity and imagination.

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