

Scripture Passages

- John 15: 1-10 – The Vine and the Branches
- John 15: 11-17 – The Vine and the Branches
- Matthew 7: 7-12 – The Answer to Prayers
- Philippians 4: 4-9 – Joy and Peace

Holy Spirit Parish
Second Mountain
-- Session 3 --



The Difference

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I got up early one morning and rushed right into the day;
I had so much to accomplish, I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just stumbled about me
and grew heavier with each task;
Why doesn't God help me, I wondered; he answered,
"you didn't ask."

I wanted to see joy and beauty, but the day toiled on,
gray and bleak;
I wondered why God didn't show me – he said,
"But you didn't seek."

I tried to come to God's presence;
I used all my keys at the lock;
God gently and lovingly chided,
"My child, you didn't knock."

I woke up early this morning and paused
before entering the day;
I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray.

Reflection Questions

1. How do we choose our commitments?
2. How do I give my life away more generously?
3. How do I make a deeper, more life-giving contribution?
4. With whom am I committed to on this journey?
5. Do I have a companion or mentor? Am I one to others?