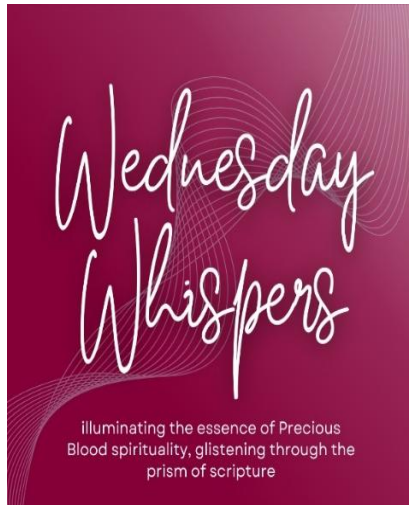




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“O Wisdom, Sophia’s child and Mary’s too,
bring us back to you.”
Christine Schenk, CSJ



Wisdom, O holy Word of God, you govern all creation with your strong yet tender care.
Come and show your people the way to salvation.

O Wisdom of our God most high, guiding creation with power and love: come,
teach us the path of knowledge.

Three variations of this antiphon and three different ways of expressing our request for this gift. I have learned that Wisdom is more than knowledge. It includes a discernment that begins with an awe of God that humbly recognizes God as the creator of all, the sustainer of all, the lover of all.

“You who have made all things by your word and in your wisdom have established us to care for the creatures produced by you, to govern the world in holiness and justice and to render judgment in integrity of heart. Give us Wisdom...” (Wisdom 9)

God's wisdom is gift and prod to be holy, to care for the environment, to work for justice but, even more, "to render judgment in integrity of heart." Fortunately, we are not alone in meeting these responsibilities. This chapter from Wisdom goes on to say, "Send her forth...that she may be with us and work with us, that we may know what is YOUR pleasure... she will guide us discreetly in our affairs."

As I write this, our Precious Blood family members in Tanzania are suffering from political oppression. And immediately before putting these words on paper, I was pained reading an article about all the orphaned children in Sudan. The list could go on.

What is Wisdom asking of us? Much too often, my everyday decisions are about what I want and what I need. Our vision, like that of Wisdom, must be global and cosmic. Surely solidarity via prayer and, for some of us, financial support are options.

During this season of winter quiet and Advent waiting, I ask for and need Sophia's child and Mary's, too, to more deeply understand and live life from God's perspective. In the words of Anthony De Mello, we strive to live "by faith in the One who gives life... to live in a way that aligns with God's purposes."

With joyful hope, we pray, "bring us back to you" in the way of global solidarity.

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