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Where are You?



Prayers & Paintings

A Devotional for the Season of Lent

We ask a lot of questions, but so does God.

This collection of my work explores this—specifically, the questions God poses in Scripture. “Where are you?” (Genesis 3:9), “What are you doing here?” (1 Kings 19:9), “Do you want to get well?” (John 5:6), “Where are you going?” (Genesis 16:8).

These questions aren’t for His sake but for ours.

As I created, I let my intuition guide me, allowing hidden figures in my collages to emerge—just as these questions brought parts of me into the open. It became a process of revelation, reflection, and deep connection with God.

The question that struck me most? “Where are you going?” I’m constantly moving, but am I heading in the right direction?

It’s a sobering thought, one echoed in Isaiah 30:21:

“Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, ‘This is the way, walk in it.’”

**A reminder that God’s guidance is always there—
we just need to listen.**

Use this devotion and prayer guide as a way to honestly connect with God. Each prayer includes Scripture passages for additional reflection and study.

A handwritten signature in a cursive script, reading "Amelia".

“Longing to Be Seen”



Where are you?

I'm hiding because I'm not sure what will happen if I am truly seen. I want to be seen, but will you like what you see? Will I be enough? Will I be too much? At the moment, it feels safer keeping my distance with my eyes on you.

But keep pursuing me, please. Your pursuit gives me the courage to bring small bits of myself out of hiding until I'm fully known.

Scripture to consider: Psalm 139: 1-3, Jeremiah 31:3

"Outside, Looking In"



What are you doing here?

I'm on the outside looking in. I never feel like I fit in or belong. I think most of that is something my mind makes up, but the feeling is real.

Have you ever felt misunderstood or like an outsider?

Of course you have... you were God in the flesh. You probably never felt like you belonged.

Scripture to consider: Philippians 2:6-8, Isaiah 53:3

"Seek and Find"



What are you looking for?

I'm not sure yet. But I think I'll know when I see it. Will you help me see it? There's a lot of things to find in this big world. A lot of wonderful things and a lot of sad and horrific things. Point me to the things that lead me back to you as the founder of all that is. All that was and all that will be.

Ah....I think I know what I'm looking for now....you.

Yeah, help me find you.

Scripture to consider: , Matthew 6:33, Psalm 14:2

"Uprooting"



Do you want to get well?

It might not look like it at times, but yes, I do.

Do I know what that will cost? No, and that's what scares me.

Do I want wholeness enough to merit the sacrifice it will take?

Now look who's asking all the questions. I ask questions when I don't want to answer yours.

It's a trust issue.

Do you believe me?

It's clear that my query-deflection is not working...I do believe. I believe that listening to what you say and following you alone is what will bring wholeness and healing, but there is unbelief that needs uprooted.

Doubts about the unknown and what I can handle.

Ok...you uproot the unbelief and fill the space in my heart with what will grow the little faith I have...that YOU can handle all that I encounter. That YOU have a plan that is grounded in the purest love there is.

No strings, no take backs and no manipulation and no lies.

Scripture to consider: Mark 9:23-25, Matthew 17:20

"Anywhere"



Where are you going?

Wherever you are going.

You don't have to tell me where. You also don't have to tell me how long it's going to take. All I need to know is that you're going too.

That's all that matters to me.

*Scripture to consider: Exodus 33:14-16,
Proverbs 3:5-6*

"If I Could Read Your Mind"



What are you looking for?

I'm looking for answers.
I'm looking for how this
all works out in the end...
how you bring it all
together, like a masterful
artist.

My mind whirls and spins
with all the possibilities
and outcomes.

I ache for resolution and being able to make sense of it all. You have promised that it will. If I could read your mind, I would find it there, but I can't, so I'll trust you with the understanding you provide for today.

So, I guess, what I'm looking for isn't answers so much as it is peace and security. That's why you asked that question isn't it?

I might not be able to read your mind, but you can read mine...you can also read my heart. And YOU are the answer to all my heart's questions...the ones I don't even know how to ask.

Scripture to consider: Isaiah 55:9, Psalm 84:2, Jeremiah 29:11

"Behind The Blinds"



What is troubling you?

I'm not sure if I can handle confronting the mess that's in my heart and mind. What if it's too much? What if it can't be fixed? If I pull back the curtains and let others see where I am, they might all leave. I'm extra, you know. Of course, you know....you made me.

You know me.

You love all of me.

You love the extra.

You love the scars.

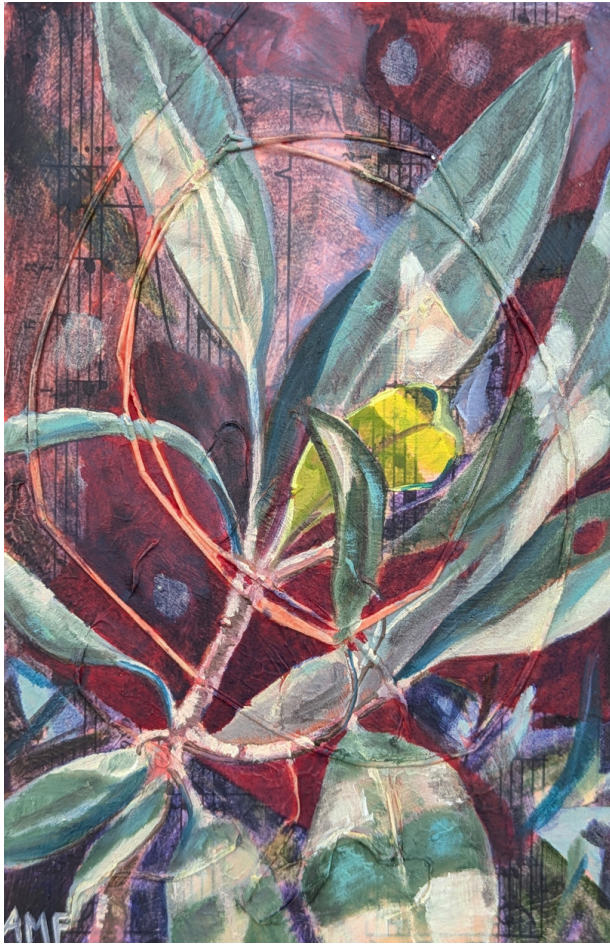
You can make something of that, can't you?

You sure can.

Please don't leave me while I walk through the waste land of my own brokenness.

Scripture to consider: Deut. 31:6 , Psalm 139:1 -6

"The Gift"



Who do you say I am?

Come on...that's such a loaded question.

It would take me pages to tell you. In fact, I've got boxes and boxes of journals filled with my attempts.

I could repeat what I've heard from others, but I don't think that's what you are looking for, is it?

No...you want to know what I truly think and believe about who you are, just to me. Because that changes every other answer and every other question.

You are the best gift I've ever gotten.
You are the best gift giver as well.
Who you are and what you do and say is all I've ever needed.

You are my Savior, King, and Friend.

Scripture to consider: Matthew 16:14-16, Revelation 21:5-7



A Prayer for Lent

My prayer for this Lent season for you is that you will bravely ask questions of God and keep your heart open to His responses. I also pray that you will intentionally set aside time to be still and listen for HIS questions to you and honestly share your answers.

It is in this supernatural conversation where the power of Resurrection Sunday comes to our everyday and changes us from the inside out.

“Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;” --Isaiah 55:6

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