

? Who Am I ?

We ask ourselves
Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?
Actually, who are you not to be?
You are a child of God.

Your playing small
Does not serve the world.
There's nothing enlightened about shrinking
So that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are all meant to shine,
As children do.
We were born to make manifest
The glory of God that is within us.

It's not just in some of us;
It's in everyone.

And as we let our own light shine,
We unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.
As we're liberated from our own fear,
Our presence automatically liberates others.

As I read this poem, it struck a chord in me. So many times, we want to fit in the "status quo". We want for everyone to like us, just wanting to be "normal" people.

While trying to fit in, at times, we find ourselves becoming "mediocre". Our visions are too great. Our dreams are beyond everyone's expectations. Our desires and burdens become too overwhelming for those that surround us. So we put them to one side. We allow people to change us, to change the way that God intended for us to be.

I find, even myself at times, that it would be so much easier to bend, and to let others dictate their own thoughts and plans of mediocrity into my life. Yet that will not be the case. Although the way may be weary. Though I find myself in the cave that Elijah was in, wondering, "why, if all I've done is right", and I feel all alone. I know for a fact, that God sends His "ministering angels" from where one least expects.

When this happens, strength and hope surge in. Dreams and Visions return. No one can stop what God intends. Lift up your head. Press forward.
Know that you have what it takes to accomplish
greatness for His kingdom!