

God's Dream

The Lord God said: I myself will dream a dream within you,
good dreaming comes from me, you know.

My dreams seem impossible,
not too practical nor for the cautious man or woman;
a little risky sometimes,
a trifle brash perhaps.

Some of my friends prefer to rest more comfortably
in sounder sleep with visionless eyes.

But from those who share my dreams

I ask a little patience,

a little humour,

some small courage,

and a listening heart – I will do the rest.

Then they will risk and wonder at their daring;

run, and marvel at their speed;

build, and stand in awe

at the beauty of their building.

You will meet me often

as you work in your companions who share the risk,

in your friends who believe in you

enough to lend their own dreams,

their own hands,

their own hearts,

to your building.

In the people who will stand in your doorway,

stay awhile

and walk away knowing that they too can find a dream.

There will be sun-filled days

and sometimes a little rain –

a little variety – both come from me.

So come now, be content.

It is my dream you dream,

my house you build,

my caring you witness;

my love you share

and this is the heart of the matter.



Charles Peguy

Blessing

May we be blessed with companions on the journey, friends who will listen to us
and encourage us with their presence.

May we learn to live with what is unsolved in our hearts, daring to face the questions
and holding them until, one day, they find their answers.

May we find the still, quiet place inside each one of us where we can know and
experience

the peace that passes all understanding.

May love flow in us and through us to those who need our care.

May we continue to dream dreams and to reach out into the future
with deeper understanding of God's way for us.

Amen.



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