

My Turn -- A Modern Day Parable

Inspired by the Passion of the Lord

ME: *I don't want my turn to end.*

FRIEND A: *But, it is time. Your turn is over.*

ME: *I don't want it to stop. I like it here.*

FRIEND B: *It's someone else's turn. They want to be where you are.*

ME: *Can't they do something else? Why does my turn have to stop so that theirs can start?*

FRIEND A: *Everything has a beginning and an end. Your beginning is now ending. They stand at the beginning, and theirs will also end one day.*

ME: *I don't even remember my beginning. I wish I had known how long my turn would last so I could have enjoyed it more.*

FRIEND B: *That's part of the mystery. None of us knows. Others may witness your beginning and help you get started. Then you take the lead, but you can't see when the end will come. It's good to not see the finish line, so that you aren't distressed about approaching it.*

ME: *But, I am distressed now! I have regrets. I wish I had done more with some pieces and less with others. Please stay with me and give me more time. Don't you love me?*

FRIEND A:
Of course, we love you, and we support you always.

ME: *I can see in your eyes that you can't stop this from happening. Don't you love me? Don't you want me to stay?*

FRIEND B: *We cannot take this away, but we are here to love you through it.*