"New Wine, Fresh Skins!" Evening Prayer, Friday, 21 April 2023

Teams GB Re-Gathering 2023 New Wine, Fresh Skins! Mark 2.22)

One day when John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting, some people came and said to Jesus, "Why is it that John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not?" Jesus replied, "No one sews a piece of unshrunken cloth on an old cloak; if he does, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and the tear gets worse. And nobody puts new wine into old wineskins; if he does, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost and the skins too. No! New wine, fresh skins!"

Mark 2:18, 21-22

New Wine, Fresh Skins!

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: "Now I am making the whole of creation new."

Thus says the Lord Who made a way through the sea A path in the great waters See, I am doing a new deed Even now It comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness Paths in the wilds

The wild beasts will honour me Jackals and ostriches

Because I am putting water in the wilderness To give my chosen people drink

The people I have formed for myself Will sing my praises

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: "Now I am making the whole of creation new."

Be pleased, Lord, to look kindly on Zion so that the walls of Jerusalem can be rebuilt.

God Almighty, Father, Son, and Spirit,

Give your help to our Gathering to make it bear fruit for you in powerful faith and striving for holiness...

Pour into us new wine of faith and devotion That inspires fresh skins of commitment and creative willing service...

Help us imitate Mary's faith So that our belief and trust in your presence transforms all our attitudes and service And makes us flower as Mary did with every virtue...

Remember the works you achieved through the life of Father Henri Caffarel And let his prayers win your help for the Teams of Great Britain...

Bless and strengthen our fellow Members who are not here, Especially those whose circumstances prevented them joining us, And hold closely in your care those whom you have gathered to yourself...

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Hail, Mary...

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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