

Second Week of Advent

Thursday 10 December 2020

Reflection 12 – Day 12

What would happen if I shouted really loudly?

In Isaiah 40.1-11, I love the passage as it encourages us to “cry out” (v.6). I’m not too sure who may be able to relate but whenever I am up high on a mountain or hill or even when I’m in a field I always think, “I wonder what would happen if I just shouted really loudly?”

I like to think of it as a challenge to myself, will I be brave enough to make noise in the open space? Will I be brave enough to risk potentially being heard by someone else?

I have struggled a little with not having such open spaces here in London and I thank God for the parks and land nearby, but the opportunity to shout and scream has been taken away! It’s like a form of expression and release, maybe even prayer.

Reflecting on this passage it has made me realise that actually we have a greater privilege by screaming and shouting about God. We can find comfort in this season that we can instead treat our social media or WhatsApp groups as an opportunity to spread love, compassion and care for those around us.

I pray that those opportunities of expression that may have been taken away from us this year will be restored in many different ways. I ask that opportunities for expression be communicated gently and compassionately to those around us. May we be bold and brave in shouting about Jesus.

Amen