

June 22, 2020 Daily Devotional

Psalms 36 moves us from a description of humanity's wickedness to the good news of God's love. The Psalmist begins with a description of people who do not reject evil, to an image of an abundant feast. Verses 7- 9 read,

"How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house,

and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life;

in your light we see light."

The image of this feast reminds me of Jan Richardson's poem (and image) "And the Table Will Be Wide"...

And the table
will be wide.
And the welcome
will be wide.
And the arms
will open wide
to gather us in.
And our hearts
will open wide
to receive.

And we will come
as children who trust
there is enough.
And we will come
unhindered and free.
And our aching

will be met
with bread.
And our sorrow
will be met
with wine.

And we will open our hands
to the feast
without shame.
And we will turn
toward each other
without fear.
And we will give up
our appetite
for despair.
And we will taste
and know
of delight.

And we will become
bread
for a hungry world.
And we will become
drink
for those who thirst.
And the blessed
will become the
blessing.
And everywhere
will be the feast.

— Jan Richardson

