June 29th Daily Devotional

We are returning to the Celtic Psalms album for our devotion today. All the arrangements on this album are by Kiran Wimberly. Kiran is a Presbyterian minister from the US who now lives on the North Coast of Ireland (we swapped places!). She is a spiritual director and folk singer, and member of **The Corrymeela Community**.

Corrymeela was founded in 1965 before "The Troubles" began in Northern Ireland to bring Catholic and Protestants together - their work became even more crucial as the years went on. Corrymeela continues to be a place of healing, reconciliation, storytelling, and resilience today.

This Psalm is a Psalm of longing and resilience, may Kiran's arrangement speak to your soul this day.

Psalm 42

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, 'Where is your God?' These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving. a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts; all your waves and your billows have gone over me. By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me,

a prayer to the God of my life.

I say to God, my rock,

'Why have you forgotten me?

Why must I walk about mournfully
because the enemy oppresses me?'

As with a deadly wound in my body,
my adversaries taunt me,
while they say to me continually,
'Where is your God?'

Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my help and my God.

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