

The Waters

inspirational poem & background painting

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**The waters seem to overwhelm me and take my breath!
I draw in and my voice is silenced, for I feel I have lost my direction.
And yet, I know that you are here.....
You remind me that I am not alone.**

**You have hemmed me into a place of emptiness.
I know that you will show yourself to me here.
For you are my only hope!
You are my only answer!**

**The reality of my nakedness looms before me
The truth of my dependency on you whispers constantly to my heart!
I can do nothing - only trust that you love me and stay close.
For you will not leave me here,
Nor will you abandon your Beloved!**

**I cling to the assurance of your salvation
(sozo-healing,deliverance,salvation)
My heart clutches your promises as a child clutches to its parent.
My effort is cast aside...and I stand, aware of my need of you...**

**For you have lead me into the desert, formed and fashioned by you.
Where the heat and dryness will cause all that I have held in my hands to fall
away.**

**For only the water from hidden wells will sustain me in this place
Therefore, I will seek the deep waters,
Knowing that you will not allow me to perish!**

**O come to me and burn away all that is my own!
That peace and joy will come to this land within me.
O Redeemer, Lover of my Soul!**

**I will wait here for you, I will rest in your arms in the midst of the flames,
For only here will I become perfected and fit for use in the House of My GOD.**