



REFLECTION from *The Gift* by Hafiz

December 30, 2020

Dear ones,
God has sown Himself onto my tongue,
Like the way the valleys of the earth
Cup their hands for light and drink,

Like the way
the desert opens up its
sweet mouth and laughs,
When someone melts pearls in the sky.

And rain, rain returns like a divine love
With a thousand words of my beloved
Now bring my mind and soul
Such a sacred nourishment
and Peace.



CLOSING PRAYER

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May we be filled with lovingkindness.
May we be safe from inner and outer dangers.
May we be well in body and mind.
May we be at ease and happy.
Amen.

BLESSING

Deep peace of the running wave to you.
Deep peace of the flowing air to you.
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.
Deep peace of the shining stars to you.
Deep peace of the infinite peace to you.
Amen.



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