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Take a moment to reflect on the photo.

They find spring water to drink.

— **Psalm 84:7**

Christian spirituality proposes ... a prophetic and contemplative lifestyle, capable of deep enjoyment free of the obsession with

consumption.

A return to that spiritual simplicity allows us

- to stop and appreciate the small things,
- to be grateful for opportunities which life affords,
- to be spiritually detached from what we possess, and
- not to succumb to sadness for what we lack.

-- Laudato Si'

Let the rain kiss you.

Let the rain beat upon your head with silver liquid drops.

Let the rain sing you a lullaby.

The rain makes still pools on the sidewalk.

The rain makes running pools in the gutter.

The rain plays a little sleep-song on our roof at night—

And I love the rain.

— **Langston Hughes** (1902-1967), major poet, writer and leader in the Harlem Renaissance, the 1920s flowering of black intellectual, literary, & artistic life, from "April Rain Song" (Permission granted by Harold Ober Associates Incorporated.)

Global Climate Strikes

In 2019, young climate strikers world-wide hit the streets to demand an end to the age of fossil fuels. "Our house is on fire — let's act like it, " they said. When we see initiatives like this, we can support and join them.

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