



Italy

A Friend who... gives you courage!!

was born with a physical disability. When I became more aware of my infirmities and my inability to do certain activities, I got very sad and closed in on myself.

I didn't like going to school because I always felt that the other kids were staring at me.

Little by little, sadness became my constant companion.

One day, I was invited to go to the Religious Education program that would prepare me to receive my First Holy Communion. I felt a very strong urge from within to attend.

I was really looking forward to that first class because I felt I was going to get to know a Friend there, someone I would soon be meeting in the Eucharist.

Jesus, who made Himself Bread for me, led me to discover true friendship.

I also feel that this relationship with Jesus is helping me with my classmates, and even with my swimming team. Swimming was a new sport for me, but I jumped right in with a great desire to win.

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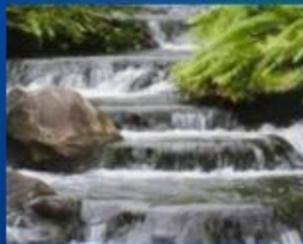
>> A source of joy!

WORD OF LIFE



Ps 36:9

«FOR WITH YOU IS THE FOUNTAIN OF LIFE»



THIS SENTENCE TELLS US THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE SOURCE OF LIFE: GOD. THE UNIVERSE, WHICH PROVIDES A HOME FOR ALL OF US HUMAN BEINGS, CAME FROM HIS CREATIVE LOVE.

THERE ARE MANY PLACES

HE IS THE ONE WHO GIVES US LIFE WITH ALL ITS GIFTS.

WHERE WE CAN MEET

SO THE FIRST STEP WE SHOULD TAKE IS TO PRAISE AND THANK GOD WITH ALL OUR HEARTS FOR THE WONDERS OF THE COSMOS AND FOR CREATING ALL OF US.

GOD!



HIS LOVE INVENTED A WAY TO STAY HERE ON EARTH IN EVERY PART OF THE WORLD! HE MADE HIMSELF PRESENT IN THE EUCHARIST. WE CAN DRAW FROM THIS SOURCE TO NOURISH AND RENEW OUR LIFE.



ANOTHER SOURCE FROM WHICH WE CAN DRAW THE LIVING WATER OF GOD'S PRESENCE IS OTHER PEOPLE. IF WE LOVE EVERY NEIGHBOR WE MEET, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN NEED, THEY ARE NOT SO MUCH BENEFITED BY US, BUT RATHER WE ARE BENEFITED BY THEM, BECAUSE THEY GIVE US GOD.



COLOR ARROWS POINTING UP WHEN YOU LOVE GOD

COLOR ARROWS POINTING TO THE SIDE WHEN YOU LOVE YOUR NEIGHBORS

