

Scriptures and Quotes-Sunday, October 15, 2017-"This is Yours Alone"- Michael Hidalgo, both locations

Ephesians 4.7-10

Exodus 19.3-6

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. - John 1.14, ©NIV

"Jesus is the Christ, but Christ is more than the historical Jesus alone." - Raimon Panikkar

1 Corinthians 12.27

It is too small a thing for you to be my servant to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back those of Israel I have kept. I will also make you a light for the Gentiles, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth. - Isaiah 49.6, ©NIV

I lined up the loftiest ideals I could find and set out to achieve them. The results were rarely admirable, often laughable, and sometimes grotesque. But always they were unreal, a distortion of my true self – as must be the case when one lives from the outside in, not the inside out. I had simply found a "noble" way to live a life that was not my own, a life spent imitating heroes instead of listening to my heart ... Vocation does not come from willfulness. It comes from listening. - Parker Palmer, *Let Your Life Speak*, p 3,4

Ephesians 4.7-13

The word vocation is a rich one, having to address the wholeness of life, the range of relationships and responsibilities. Work, yes, but also families, and neighbors, and citizenship, locally and globally - all of this and more is seen as vocation, that to which I am called as a human being, living my life before the face of God. It is never the same word as occupation, just as calling is never the same word as career. Sometimes, by grace, the words and the realities they represent do overlap, even significantly; sometimes, in the incompleteness of life in a fallen world, there is not much overlap at all. - Steven Garber, *Visions of Vocation*, p 7