the pilgrim
on the journey...
knowing the God has the
mountains...
AN EIGHT-WEEK VIDEO & STUDY GUIDE

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We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the country on which we meet today, the Turrbal and Jegera people, and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We ask permission of those Elders—past, present and emerging—to use this place for a short time. We will not damage nor abuse this place and will remember their past custodianship of this place with deep respect.
Lighting of the Fires
Leader/All

We light a fire in the name of the Maker,
Who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for us...
We light a fire in the name of the Son,
Who saved the world and stretched out his hand to us...
We light a fire in the name of the Spirit,
Who encompasses the world
and blesses our souls with yearning...
Call to Worship

Leader/All

We light three fires for the trinity of love:
God above us, God beside us, God beneath us:
The beginning, the end, the everlasting one.
Let it go. Let it out.
Let it all unravel.
Let it free and it can be
A path on which to travel.
In a rushed time, how can we slow down to the divine walking pace of knowing persons and being known?

In a transient space, how can we send down roots to form a sacred place where the lonely, anxious and dislocated find shelter?
OPEN BOOK | PLACE: Where are you? (#6)
PLACE | Three-Second-Shout-Out: What did you see and hear? What phrases and images stuck with you?

GODSPEED
Read p6: Where is the place you felt most rooted and why?

Map your parish, listing key places and relationships where it’s centred.

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What would it take for you to “belong” to a community?

Following Jacob in Genesis 28:18-22, when has “no place” become “God’s house,” a thin place of presence?
OPEN BOOK | STABILITY: Being here (#6)

GODSPEED
STABILITY: Three-Second-Shout-Out: What did you see and hear? What phrases and images stuck with you?

Father Giles
How can we practice “stability” in our modern, transient society?

What happens when we stay in one place, with one group of people, for a long time? (What’s the longest you’ve stayed?)

Read p47, summarizing the scene: *stabilitas*

What aspects of Christian faith require stable others for maturity?

What things/habits/attitudes keep you disconnected and unknown?

What people/places/habits keep you connected and known, contributing to inner & outer stability?
Contra Western individualism, God—and his image bearers—are communal. We cannot be spiritually mature without others ... walking together.

What’s one thing you’ll practice this week, to “live Godspeed”?

**Response**

**PLACE:** Be attentive.
Learn the name of two neighbours, a tree and a dog in your parish.

**STABILITY** (read p52, CS Lewis): Practice being in awe of the people with whom you live and work. Pray “let me be in awe of them.” Thank God for these people & places.
Dwell

“Godspeed” comes from the Middle English phrase God Spede—“may God flourish you.” There’s no single “God speed,” because there are different seasons and challenges in our lives.

Then the Lord God called to the Man, “Where are you?” (Gn 3:9)

By means of his one Spirit, we all said good-bye to our partial and piecemeal lives. (1 Cor 12:12-13 [p51])
Dear God,
We pray for another way of being: another way of knowing.
Across the difficult terrain of our existence we have attempted to build a highway and in so doing have lost our footpath. **God lead us to our footpath:**
Lead us there, where in simplicity we may move at the speed of natural creatures and feel the earth's love beneath our feet. **Lead us there where step-by-step we may feel the movement of creation in our hearts.**
And lead us there where side-by-side we may feel the embrace of the common soul. **Nothing can be loved at speed.**
God lead us to the slow path; to the joyous insights of the pilgrim; another way of knowing: **another way of being. Amen.**
Quarry Church
Sundays, 8am
the pilgrim on the journey...
knowing that God has the mountain...
THINGS ARE GREAT
HYMN

Little flower let us pray
The world gets madder every day
There's little I can understand
The anxious hearts, the broken land.

All I want to know is you
Your leaves so green, your petals blue
Your beautiful humility
Are made of love and sanity.

Little flower let us pray
Together in this childish way
For there within your petals curled
Lies wisdom that would heal the world.