

Faithful Wake

The wake from the hindquarter of the goose was perfectly symmetrical as it propelled itself upstream against the river 's current. Its' majestic silhouette spoke of intentness, alertness and direction. Yet, what struck me the most was not the goose's presence but rather the medium upon which it travelled. Water, basic H₂O was keeping the goose afloat while nurturing its very life with food and drink.

In much the same way Christian faith is the marrow of our soul, keeping us afloat, fed and watered. Soren Kierkegaard went so far as to say that "...faith was like floating on 60,000 fathoms of water", speaking to the nurturing qualities of the substance while suggesting the need for trusting that it will deliver as promised. The substance that keeps us afloat, and sends ripples out into the world is nothing short of the "assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen".

Water and faith inextricably bound through our baptismal covenant through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ – Alleluia!

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