

Deacon's Beacons

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For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning. Psalm 30:5

The anger of God is something that I have always found hard to fathom. Yes, we do things that should anger God. But God does not experience human emotions. God is a being that transcends humanity. God is love as St. John tells us. God's love is unconditional. Any parent knows that you can love your children and still become angry with them. But it is actually a heresy to assign human emotion to God. Yet we see it often, especially in the Old Testament. It is the same God, whether it is the Old or the New Testament. And that God is love. That is exactly why we have not been made to pay for our offenses. God is all just so He must demand atonement. But God is also all merciful so He atones for our offenses Himself so that we may be spared the punishment and may be justified in His sight. Spend some time contemplating that. It is an awesome concept, in the very traditional sense of the word.

Resurrexit sicut dixit!

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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