

Devotion, Week of June 15, 2025

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As I noted this past Sunday, Walter Brueggemann, one of the most brilliant theologians of our age, died recently. He wrote over 100 books, but one of my favorites is a book of prayers he published. Before every seminary class, he prayed. This prayer is one of my favorites.

We will be your faithful people –

More or less

We will love you with all our hearts –

Perhaps

We will love our neighbor as ourselves –

Maybe.

We are grateful that with you it is

Never “more or less,”

“perhaps,” or

“maybe.”

With you it is never “yes and no,”

But always “yes” – clear, direct,

Unambiguous, trustworthy.

We thank you for your “yes”

Come as flesh among us. Amen.

May this week be one of “yes” when God asks you for faithfulness and trust.

Jeanne