

A time for prayer and solace

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The Solace of Fierce Landscapes: Exploring Desert and Mountain Spirituality

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The spiritual function of fierce terrain is

- To bring us to the end of ourselves,
- To the abandonment of language
- And the relinquishment of ego.

A vast expanse of jagged stone, desert sand, and towering thunderheads has a way of challenging all the mental constructs in which we are tempted to take comfort and pride thinking we have captured the divine. The things that ignore us save us in the end.....

Sensing an invitation to emptiness....

Matthew 16:24

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me."

The quiet joy of self-forgetfulness...