

Tuesday Reflection 25th January 2022 - Celebration of the Conversion of St Paul

Today we celebrate the conversion of the Apostle Paul, who turned his back on a life of status and security to commit himself wholeheartedly to Christ. In this, he followed the example of the first Apostles, and in later years he was emulated by women and men such as St. Clare, Julian of Norwich, St. Francis, St. Augustine and in our times by mystics such as Thomas Merton. A similar commitment to God is to be found in mystics from other traditions, such as the medieval Sufi Hakim Sanai, who wrote:

“Bring all of yourself to his door:

Bring only a part,
And you’ve brought nothing at all.”

How much of our lives do we dedicate to God?

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