

*Come Holy Spirit
Use me to Your glory*

Precious Pilgrim,

“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus, Born to Set Thy People Free” - Advent - getting ready for the King to come - thrilling.

Yesterday I woke up at 5 AM. We had a football party the day before at the lake. Needless to say, there was plenty to clean up. I didn't want to awaken anyone, so I crept down the stairs in the dark to clean up the mess and there was one!

As I washed the dishes I thought, I've got to finish before sunrise - for I wanted to go up to the top of our house and watch. Well, it was as exciting as waiting for Santa to come on Christmas Eve. By the time I finished, the sky was a pale gray.

I quietly crept upstairs and had a full 20 minutes waiting - gosh, it went slowly! The light seemed like it took forever to come. From gray, to a little brighter, so I could see the wind was really blowing white caps on the water and birds and trees were actively moving. I felt like we were all getting ready - very exciting!

It was a slow birthing. Each moment the sky seemed to take on another color. There were more shades of blue, pink and gold. And then it showed its glorious face. Well, you couldn't help but burst out and say, “This is the day that the Lord hath made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.”

We are all living in an “advent” season - our whole lives - the King is coming! Walk in that knowledge with excitement

and anticipation. Get ready with the same enthusiasm as a child on Christmas Eve! It is a privilege to get our "temples" in order - for He is coming! Hallelujah!

Your sister in Christ,

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