

Patient Trust by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, SJ, From Hearts on Fire

Above all, trust in the slow work of the Spirit.

We are quite naturally impatient in everything to reach the end without delay.

We should like to skip the intermediate stages.

We are impatient of being on the way to something unknown, something new.

And yet it is the law of all progress that it is made by passing through some stages of instability —

and that it may take a very long time.

And so I think it is with you,

Your ideas mature gradually—let them grow, let them shape themselves, without undue haste.

Don't try to force them on,
as though you could be today, what time
(that is to say, grace and circumstances acting on your own good will)
will make of you tomorrow.

Who can say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be?

Give yourself the benefit of believing that the Spirit is leading you,
and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself

in suspense and incomplete . . .

A Radical Calling

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In these tumultuous and transformative times,
grace is always with us whether we perceive it or not.
You, in your wholeness, are exactly what the world needs right now.
To heal, to embrace and bring forth your gifts,
to become all that you came here to be—
this is what is being asked
of each of us.

To follow the path of truth, love and forgiveness
even when there is fear;
to meet every moment
—the bitter as well as the sweet—
with gratitude for the opportunity it presents;
to open your heart to yourself even when it seems impossible:
this is a radical calling.

This is both the blessing and the challenge offered to all of us now,
to explore the space where
grace and courage meet, where limits dissolve,
where love's deep longing to know and fully live itself -- as you --
awaits.



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Where are you living?
What are you doing?
What are your relationships?
Are you in right relation?
Where is your water?
Know your garden
It is time to speak your truth
Create your Community
Be good to each other
And do not look outside yourself for the leader

