

Today's Advent Devotional is offered by Todd Clark

THIS LOVE

As an awakening and a renewing prayerful exercise,
I tried replacing the pronouns of HE and SHE
when I prayed aloud -and also silently- about God.

And in doing so I transformed my prayers and reawakened my faith...
Because I recognized and saw God for all that I believe God is and does.
I tried using "THIS LOVE" instead of HE or SHE and it rewired everything.

It strengthened God's presence- it enlarged it and opened it up
...all the way as big as the all-creating, all-knowing and loving "I am",
"God is" GOD.

Not either- or any gender, but indeed more- the presence of God
Almighty. Almighty God.

God as a precious loving moment...and also all of eternity, the entire



cosmos- God as life itself.

*“When I feel joy loving and being aware of the wonder of God’s Blessings
I know THIS LOVE is all that I need.*

*Where there is despair and sadness and the day feels overwhelming,
God brings healing and THIS LOVE endures in the midst of any pain.
I look for God at the core of my being, the essence of what I want to be,
And THIS LOVE strengthens me, carries me and lifts me up.*

*God made me. God knows me and loves me for who I am
and THIS LOVE matters the most to me.”*

THIS LOVE... so much larger than a gender- more than a HE or a SHE...
while at the same time also embracing, expressing and being both,
indeed ALL!

GOD is THIS LOVE... THIS LOVE is GOD.

THIS LOVE never waivers and does not diminish.

THIS LOVE...so precious and peaceful, so powerful and real.

THIS LOVE is GOD: creator, mother, father, healer, companion, partner,
and lover.

THIS LOVE...for you to get to know and to share, to grow with and to live
for... by God.

THIS LOVEis all we need.