



*“God, what is it You want to do through me?”*

### **A Prayer for the Morning after Ash Wednesday**

God, last night the imprint of ashes  
called us to sanctity,  
reminding us of our mortality  
born of dust to return  
beloved eternally.

Now the ashes have been washed away  
no traces remain  
with prayers that traces of sanctity remain.

We pray for those surrounded and marked by ashes  
not so easily washed away,  
those ashes from violence,  
ashes streaked by tears  
the weeping of Ukraine and Madagascar  
and side streets of New Orleans  
and remnants of earthquakes in Haiti.

We pray for those rising beyond the ashes  
with protest against violence in Russia  
with another courageous breath in covid 19 isolation,  
with food to offer the hungry  
with an open heart of belonging  
for all who long.

*~By a Member of MCCDC*

*lease join the inspiration of our Daily Devotionals for Lent, Holy*

*Week, and Easter on the theme **Full to the Brim**. Please email your reflection, prayer, or other contribution to MCCDC Senior Pastor Rev. Elder Dwayne Johnson at [RevDwayne@mccdc.com](mailto:RevDwayne@mccdc.com).*

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