

Good Morning Moon

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"Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?" - Isaiah 40:21

One of the treasured stories of my childhood that I was able to share with both my children and grandchildren was Good Night Moon. It is a perfect tale for entering sleep with the moon associated with lightening the dark night. Living on the Farm, with our morning chores beginning very early just before dawn. For the first time, I began to notice the morning moon.

I began to say to myself as part of my daily devotion, "Good morning Moon" communing usually with coffee in hand. I would peek out of the kitchen window of the house and look to see if the moon was setting usually in north west sky sort of diagonally opposite of where you would see the growing pink light of the rising sun in the East.

There is a point in the morning time if you stand on the porch at just the right spot, you could see both the moon and the sun. If you would blink or move or get distracted, you would miss that moment.

It was even more dramatic when there was a new moon or the waning full moon. The Gibbous wolf moon this past week was absolutely stunning.

I don't relate well to the dichotomy of seeing things in grim stark relief: dark and light or black and white. Shades of gray and colorful delicate balance predominate my world view.

Finding that sweet spot between what you can see and can't see... the known and the unknown for just that moment is when I encounter the Divine.

It is sometimes a bare whisper of the voice that says, "Silly girl, we've been at this place before. Don't you recognize me, don't you know this part? Just come back to this place, to this season, this cycle and you too get to understand once

again about the foundation of the Earth. Sun sets, moon rise, waxes and wanes and then repeats.

“Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.”

Isaiah 40:26

