

Thought for the Day 22/09/2020

**“Hang my locket around your neck,
wear my ring on your finger.
Love is invincible facing danger and death.
Passion laughs at the terrors of hell.
The fire of love stops at nothing—
it sweeps everything before it.
Flood waters can’t drown love,
torrents of rain can’t put it out.”** Song of Songs 8:6-7 (The Message version)

Welcome back to Thought for the Day! This is the start of what I’m calling ‘Season 2’ for these reflections. I hope they will be of help and encouragement to us all in our walk with the Lord, and many thanks again to all those who will be contributing reflections as we go along!

I love the Bible verses that I’ve quoted above from Song of Songs... **“Love is invincible facing danger and death....flood waters can’t drown love.”**

I was reading recently of a Bible College tutor who was trying to explain to his class about the resurrection of Jesus – how do we begin to comprehend that Jesus is both instantly recognisable and radically different? How can he pass through walls and locked doors? The tutor explained it this way: *Jesus passes through walls not because he is ethereal, but because he is strong.* His point was, compared to the strength of the resurrected Jesus, walls and locked doors are nothing, they are the ethereal ones. The risen Jesus is not a ghost of the past, hanging around in the present. He is the rock of the future calling us on to a certain hope. That verse describes Jesus Christ and his resurrected love for us... **“Love is invincible facing danger and death....flood waters can’t drown love.”**

Those words of Scripture also seem to have echoed down the centuries and I like to think inspired a modern pop song written by ‘The The’ in 1993:

*“Here come the blue skies Here comes springtime.
When the rivers run high & the tears run dry.
When everything that dies.
Shall rise.*

*Love Love Love is stronger than death.
Love Love Love is stronger than death.”*

In the midst of the ongoing global Covid-19 pandemic and the restrictions and the uncertainty, let’s hold onto those words of hope and live lives of hope... *Love Love Love is stronger than death.*

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Peace be with you!

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