

Yee: Turn Eyes Into Ears A Poem

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Yee went running alone at the beach in a chill rain
till sweat warmed the raindrops on contact immediately
as they merged not to be distinguished upon his skin.
Yee still held fear of the waves involuntarily
after he laid his body down at the edge of them.
Staring into the sky and closing his eyes gently,
Yee could feel and enjoy the mildness of the cool rain.
Listening to the sounds of rain composed from heaven,
Yee was grateful to glorify the Creator's name,
who'd already rescued him from death in the village.
Then Yee stood up and plugged into the white surf nimbly.
Yee had become the one that he was destined to be,
in spite of the hardships as long as he stood with Thee.
Yee swam towards the bright wonderland over the sea.

Author's note:

This poem metaphorically depicts how a person overcomes his fear and anxiety by inwardly and faithfully relating oneself to the One. The person was seriously scared of water, which is symbolic of his fear of the storm such as failure, death, or perhaps COVID-19. Being conscious of one's inner self, he reverently prays for God's mercy. By turning eyes into ears, he listens to Jesus' word through the rain, "Don't be afraid; just believe" (Mark 5:36). Jesus reminds of a time when he was once lost in the woods and faced by two wolves. He survived because Jesus calmed his storm when he had faith. His faith grows intensively, and he was called to follow Christ. Thanks to the continuous work of the Holy Spirit, he eventually overcomes his fear. As the disciples follow Jesus into the boat, he leaves the beach behind to follow Him.