

MY LORD GOD,

I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe the desire to please you does in fact please you. I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. And I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

I know that if I do this, you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

THOMAS MERTON

~Thoughts in Solitude~