

Lighting of the Candles

We light a candle in the name of the Maker,

Who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for us...

We light a candle in the name of the Son,

Who saved the world and stretched out his hand to us...

We light a candle in the name of the Spirit

Who encompasses the world and blesses our souls with yearning ...

We light three lights for the trinity of love: God above us, God beside us, God beneath us: The beginning, the end, the everlasting one.

Prayer and Silence

Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me

Jesus Mathew 10:38





In the words of Christ:

Beatitudes Liturgy (Mt 5:2-12)

God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him,

the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

God blesses those who mourn,

they will be comforted.

God blesses those who are humble,

they will inherit the whole earth.

God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice,

they will be satisfied.

God blesses those who are merciful,

they will be shown mercy.

Beatitudes Liturgy

God blesses those whose hearts are pure,

they will see God.

God blesses those who work for peace,

they will be called the children of God.

God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right,

the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

God will bless you when people insult you, mistreat you, and tell all kinds of evil lies about you because of me.

Be happy and excited!

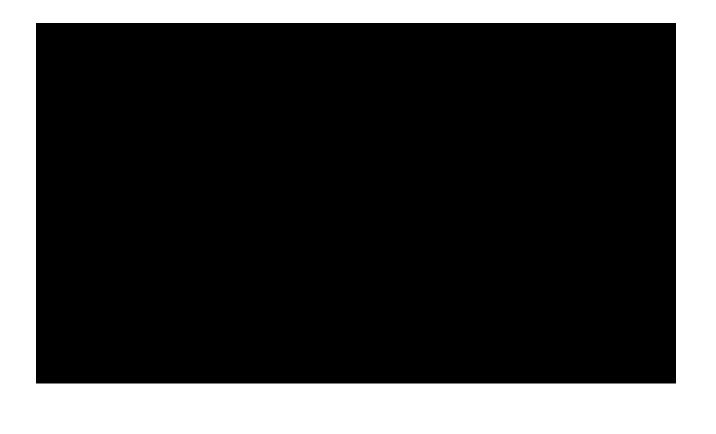
You will have a great reward in heaven. People did these same things to the prophets who lived long ago.



Trampling the Fumi-e

Makoto Fujimura,

Silence & Beauty <u>Fumi-e Video</u>





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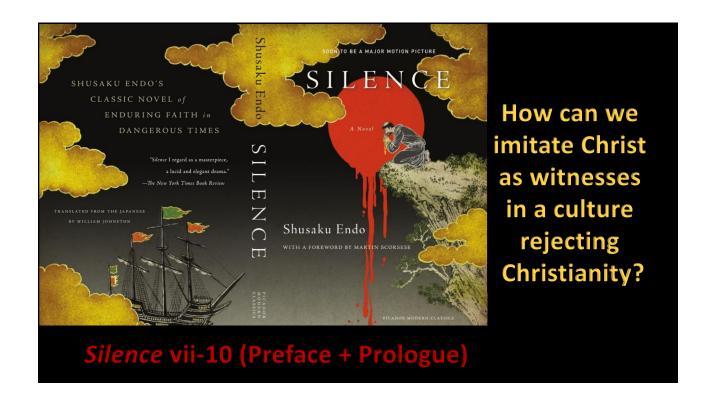
What is my personal fumi-e?

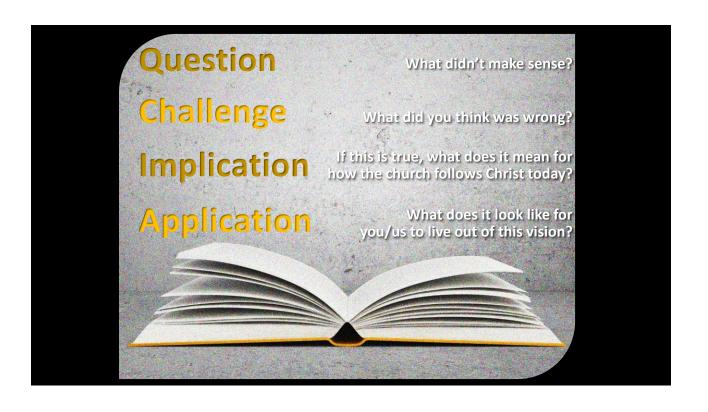
Share a time you stepped on what you loved, in order to survive.

If we say that we have not sinned, we are fooling ourselves, and the truth isn't in our hearts.

1 John 1:8











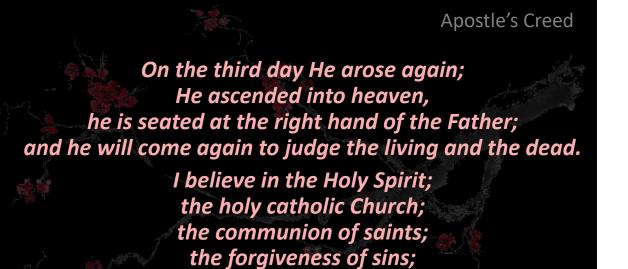




Apostle's Creed

With followers of Christ from every culture and age, we declare:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
the Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell. ...



the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

Amen.

