Six Words &

For Lent

A well know hymn often sung at the start of the Church Season known as Lent begins with these words: "Forty days and forty nights...." But if Lent is 6 weeks and there are 7 days in a week and 6 times 7 is 42, that's 42 days and not 40 days. But Sundays in Lent are holy days and not counted in the total. So, 42 minus 6 is 36. And that's still not forty days. However, Lent starts with Ash Wednesday. So, if you take Ash Wednesday and the Thursday, Friday and Saturday which follow, that's 4 more days. And 36 plus 4 is forty— "Forty days and forty nights...."

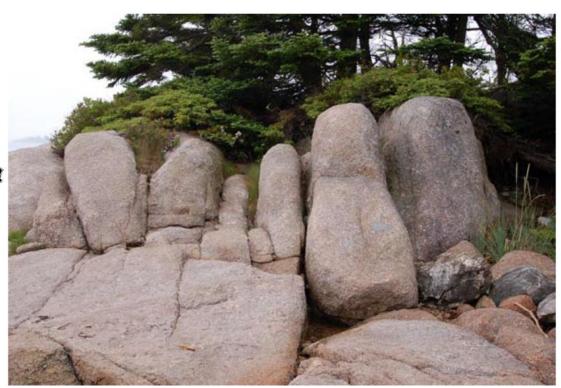
This booklet is designed to have 40 meditations for Lent. It will present a six word meditation and a picture to go with the meditation for each of the 40 days of Lent. Which leaves an obvious question: why six words?

Legend has it that the short-short story came about when Ernest Hemingway was challenged to write a novel in only six words. True or false, we'll never know, but we do know this: the challenge works. Those who have read *Not Quite What I was Planning* find it difficult to not think in six word sentences. It started as a book of six word memoirs and has expanded into anything that can be reduced to six words. It is challenging, very rewarding and extremely addictive. Join us in this new adventure. Make up your own six word meditations as we travel along the way to Jerusalem, day by day during this season of Lent.

Remember this for now and always: GOD LOVES YOU: Proof is Jesus!

Ash Wednesday - March 2

THE HANDS OF D! GOD POINT A





Time to Pray and give

thanks.

Friday - March 4

Sometimes...



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 $\begin{array}{c} D_{oes\ it} \\ grow \\ up \end{array}$



or lown ?

Monday - March 7

wonder what's behind it?

CLOSED DOOR:





DEFYING GRAVITY: EASY;

OVERCOMING FEAR: HARD.

Wednesday - March 9

God takes ordinary

and makes





Thursday - March 10

DURING

LIFE'S

STORMS,



TRUST

AND

OBEY.

Friday - March 11

God:
the door

the door to infinite possibilities.





It's empty, right? ...think about it.

Looked for answers,



found new questions.

Tuesday - March 15

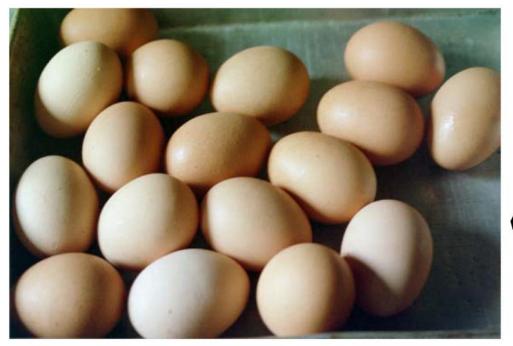


Everyone has coats of many colors.

Wednesday - March 16



even on an island.



Raw or cooked?

Outsides are deceiving.

Friday - March 18

Reminds me of my



grandma's lap.

Saturday - March 19



If only the walls could talk.

Monday - March 21

Beautiful to see,



painful to touch!

Symbolism: a reminder of God's grace.



Wednesday - March 23



Gardens can be special meeting places.

Change is mandatory;

growth is optional.



Friday - March 25



Have y o u wandered from God's path?

Saturday - March 26



God

clothes
Rowers in

Be field.

Monday - March 28

SOMETIMES,

NATURE CLEANS OUR HUMAN MESSES.





at the Lord's Table.

Give thanks

Wednesday - March 30

God created it;



please maintain it!



"Keep your lamps trimmed and burning."

God is good,

all the time.







Monday - April 4

"I'll make you fishers



of people

This door ©©@M to all.



Wednesday - April 6

Needles
intertwined
to form
and
protect.





When life's rocky, drink Living Water.

Friday - April 8

Once you start hard to stop!



Saturday - April 9

In Christ, many parts;



one body.



Monday - April 11

Familymakes

a house

a home



need

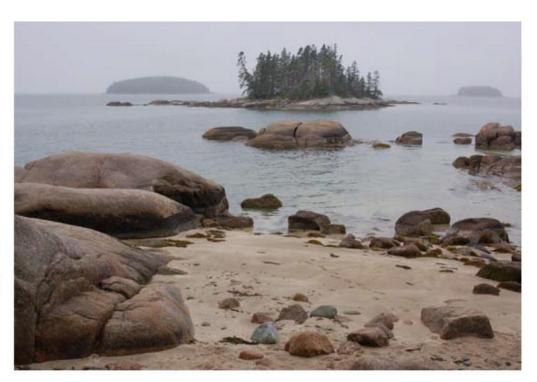
to pray

every day.

Wednesday - April 13

Creation was God's first precious

gift.





The day's end is often welcomed.

Good Friday - April 15

"THE ROCK"



BUILDS A STRONG FOUNDATION.



is in us.

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April 17 - Easter!

Alleluia!

Christ

Is

Risen,

Indeed!

Alleluia!