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Hosea 2:14

Wilderness in our religious thought often implies a dry and lonely place – a place where we are tested and where we might wonder or question where the Lord is and what He is doing in our lives! We may consider such a wilderness to be when we are facing temptations and trials as our Lord did after His baptism when He faced the devil’s temptations and trials with wild animals! (Mark 1:12 – 13).

However, the wilderness may also be a place in our lives when we hear the gentle voice of the Holy Spirit calling us ever deeper, ever onward in our Christian life... “I will allure her. I will bring her in the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her there.” This wilderness is a place of quietness of heart, of devotion of soul, of brokenness of self, of renewal of purpose, and of intimacy with God Himself.

Colorado has its wilderness areas of dry and desert landscape – but it also has its wilderness areas of high mountain peaks and lush forests that are alive with lakes and streams. Whatever the wilderness you may be facing or are currently in, listen for that still small Voice calling you, drawing you, forgiving you, wrestling with you, loving you!

“Lord, here I am...”

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