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COMMUNITY GATHERING

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WELCOME



LET'S TAKE A FEW
MOMENTS TO
SILENCE OUR
MINDS AND
OPEN OUR
HEARTS

OPENING DIALOGUE

SOLO: Peace be with you

UNISON: Acquire my Peace within you

SOLO: Where do we find your Peace?

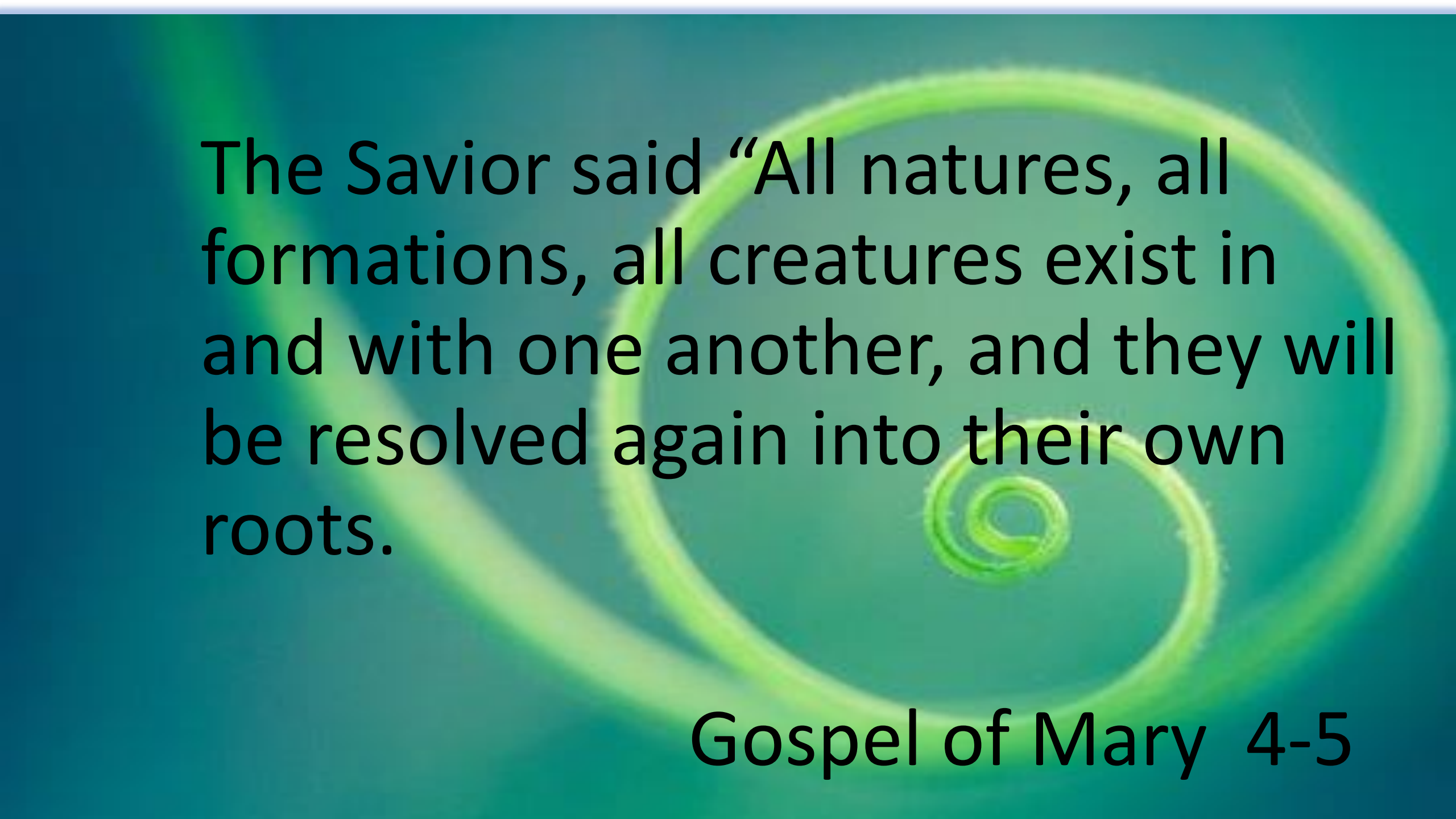
UNISON: Beware that no one lead you astray saying Lo here or Lo there! For the Son of Man is Within You

SOLO: Follow after Him!

UNISON: Those who seek Him will find Him

SOLO: He who has a mind to understand, let him understand

UNISON: He who has ears to hear, let him hear

A glowing green spiral graphic is centered on a teal background. The spiral starts from a small point and winds outwards, creating a sense of movement and depth. The background has a subtle gradient from a darker teal at the top to a lighter teal at the bottom.

The Savior said “All natures, all formations, all creatures exist in and with one another, and they will be resolved again into their own roots.

Gospel of Mary 4-5

FRIENDSHIPS

The Heart of Longevity

In Japan social relationships are essential, contributing to a sense of belonging and emotional well-being. Studies have shown that strong social ties can lower stress levels, improve mental health, and even increase longevity.

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you should also love one another. By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 13:34-35

And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness; and he was called the Friend of God.

James 2:23

“Friendships are very important to our health. Guys kinda sit side by side. Women sit facing each other, eye to eye and they say, “I’m in trouble. I need you. Can you help me?” We’re not afraid of being vulnerable.”

Jane Fonda

"I Love Lucy"

The Joys
of Friendship



BY JENN FUJIKAWA

UNIVERSE



Sweet friendships refresh the soul and awaken our hearts with joy, for good friends are like the anointing oil that yields the fragrant incense of God's presence.

Proverbs 27:9

When the Blessed One said these things, he greeted them all, saying, “Peace be with you! Bear my peace within yourselves!

Mary 4:1

“One who has unreliable friends soon comes to ruin but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.”

Proverbs 18:24

CANDLE BLOWER OUTERS



You've got this flame- This is your spirit
This is your soul
This your light

And sometimes it will shine really, really bright and you want to surround yourself with people, who when it's shining bright think "Wow, what a beautiful light"

And you want to be the type of friend that when your friend's light is shining, you say, "Man that's a great light".

We don't want to surround ourselves with Candle Blower Outers.

We want someone who has room in their life for our light because our light comes with us.

Brene Brown

I have told you all this so that my own joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my command-love one another, as I have loved you. No one can give greater love than by laying down his life for his friends. And you are my friends. If you do what I command you, I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends because I made known to you everything that I learned from my Father.

John 15:12-15

I love my friends neither with my
heart nor with my mind.

Just in case...heart might stop.

Mind can forget.

I love them with my soul.

Soul never stops or forgets

Rumi



CONVERSATION

Did Jesus give his life for his friends?

Did Mary lay down her life for Jesus?

Were not the traveling disciples' friends?

There is no greater love than this: that a person would lay down
his life for the sake of his friends

John 15:13

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS



CLOSING

SOLO: Are You no longer afraid?

UNISON: We have Acquired the Peace

SOLO: What is that? A belief? A Faith?

UNISON: No, it is neither, it is a knowing

SOLO: What is that Knowing?

UNISON: It is the Peace that passed all Understanding

SOLO: Let Us move together in that Knowing and Peace

UNISON: She who hath ears, let Her Hear

OUR NEXT GATHERING WILL BE ON

July 30, 2023

2 pm

