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## My Journey to Wisdom

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Once upon a time  
a child of happiness danced upon the land,  
knew friendship with the earth  
and celebrated life  
with her love of solitude and simple things.



She grew into a young woman,

whose vision of self was clouded,  
clothed with the complexities of insecurity  
and the necessity of leaving the hallowed womb  
of the quiet earth.

She walked into cities of strangers,  
straining her inner eye to catch  
the slightest hint of the beauty  
that had energized her younger days

when she played upon the earth.

Days stretched into months  
and then years went by.  
She slowly changed by going deeper,  
deeper, into her Center.  
Never understanding why the desire  
to go deeper was there  
but always knowing there was no other choice  
than to follow at all costs.  
Darkness often loomed up large  
against her searching journey.  
Risk and Truth became her companions.

She met Compassion  
and then Wisdom came to greet her.  
So close, at times, were these companions  
that she wept for their intensity  
and her unworthiness.  
Still, they walked with her,  
and everywhere she went,  
her companions reached out  
and blessed the people of her life.

She could only kneel in gratitude,  
offering her heart of praise  
to the Divine Companion  
who had faithfully kept the kindling of love  
burning in her heart.

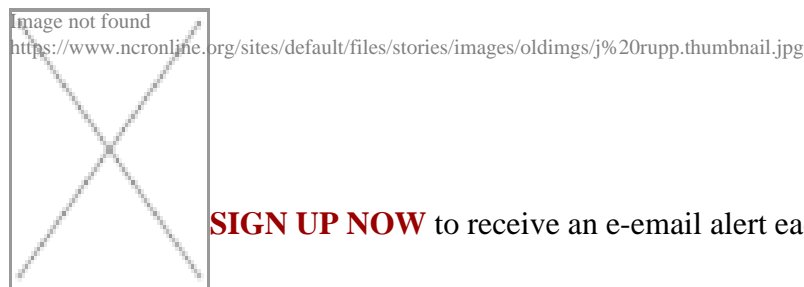
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I share my discovered wisdoms with you in order to encourage you on your own inner way and to spark the recognition of your wisdoms that are waiting to be welcomed by you?. My hope is that you will gather the gift of time and take the journey to the inner world where Sophia (Wisdom) waits for you.

--- Joyce Rupp

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