

Seasons End

Spring has pasted by
with its freshness and new life,
flowers blooming, birds singing
unaffected by daily strife.
In the cool crisp air
the stars come out of their beds,
moons of perfect brightness,
sunsets of yellow, orange and reds.

Summer is now fading,
with its blue skies and butterflies,
and the sound of children's laughter
will soon be dissipating,
grills will go into storage,
no more picnics in the park,
street lights come on early,
children in before it's dark.

Soon will come Fall
to captivate and fill the Earth
shades of brown, orange, red, and green,
pictures of unlimited worth.
Birds will begin to fly South
Bear's will hibernation
preparing for their resting state
will be all of God's creation.

Then Winter will approach
with all its fruitful glory,
soft petals of snow flakes
each telling a different story.
Skiing down the slopes,
warming by a fireplace,
creating fresh new memories
that time can not erase.

Each season has its own beauty
as so do we,
it's all in how we feel
and the pleasures we can see.
For me the seasons are a blessing,
a God given fate
to see the wonders of it all
as I move closer to a date.

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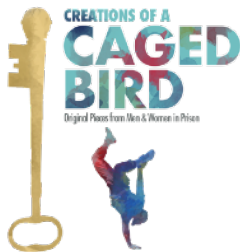
Below are some questions to reflect on from this piece. Feel free to also use one as a conversation starter with a fellow reader, or even a loved one on the outside!

Lori's poem also reminds of the beauty that surrounds us, in this case the pleasures of each of the four seasons. What sights, sounds, scents and more would be on your list of the zestful bounties of spring, summer, fall, and winter?

We'd love to hear what you thought of the piece, or if you've had any meaningful conversations as a result. Or perhaps you'd like to share an expression of your own (visual art or creative writing). You are always welcome to write to us at Shining Light at P.O. Box 267, Annville, PA 17003.

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