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## **January 2019: Silent Partner**

As I sat down this morning to just relax and rest in the silence a long ago memory showed up. As a young child I remembered overhearing a conversation. Two people were talking about a man they knew who had started a small business and it was doing wonderful. They spoke of how poor the man had been only a year or so before starting his business. How in the world could he financially afford to start such a successful business? "He has a silent partner!" He had an idea of how to start a very prosperous business and someone heard about it and backed him financially. They continued to talk about how blessed this new business owner was. I recall wishing that my daddy would have a silent partner so he could build his own garage in our back yard and work on cars and not have to work away from home.

As I took a few deep breathes to get still I began to be aware of the presence of peace as I drifted into the Silence. After my time in meditation I began to start unloading the dishwasher. The thought came back to me...Silent Partner...in that moment I recalled that I also have a silent partner in my life! Someone who is always there to listen to every word I say, one who supports me in every avenue of my life and one who loves me unconditionally and wants the very best for me; my magnificent friend, confidant and financial supporter is the Divine Presence, the Silent listener to every conversation, every thought and every feeling. It is the source behind all creation.

I became "VERY AWARE" that my Silent Partner is the Living Presence of God. It is the Silent Partner within every unique individualized thing on earth. I recall speaking one Sunday morning about how unique every person, grain of sand, blade of grass and snowflake is because no two are the same. Twins may look alike they have different finger print and each snowflake, grain of sand and blade of grass are all different. Each life form is the expression of the One cause of life. It flows through each of us. So often we humans want to be just like someone else but we can never be anyone but ourselves. We may pretend to act like or even dress like someone else, but all we really need to do is be ourselves and see our beautiful uniqueness expressing through us.

When we become still and center our self in our own High Self we may discover that all the good, all the power, all the wisdom and all of God is right where I AM and all that the Father has is already mine and yours. Jesus said "the kingdom of God is within." Within what? Within you and me and God is within his kingdom; within us, around us, flowing through us, embracing all of creation. The Divine life gives life to all things.

May we each get in touch with our "SILENT PARTNER" and begin living the life we are meant to live. The abundant life Jesus said is ours right now. "I have come so that they may have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

**From the Heart with Love, Peace & Blessings,**  
*Reverend Elizabeth*