

To Walk Far, Walk Together

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nd shall we here at Forbearance, as Christians, constrict our faith to small causes? To our so-called peace of mind, our comfort, our safety, our sometimes too-easy answers for complex questions? God calls us to grow beyond our personal borders, to indulge ourselves in larger pursuits. Our faith cannot be so little or defensive, for Jesus does not ask us to be a small people, but to be a people who strive with courage and wisdom to be the voices of healing in a time of great change and enormous need.

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