

OPENING WORDS/ CALL TO WORSHIP

“You Will Always Mean Something to Someone”

from *Watering the Soul* by Courtney Peppernell (page 133)

You will always mean something to someone;
There is always someone somewhere thinking of you.

Someone looking for you in a room full of strangers,
because your face is the one they call home.

Someone is waiting to show you the picture they came across
while scrolling on their phone,
because they know it will make you laugh,
and they love hearing your laugh.

Someone is waiting for the summer,
because they have a road trip planned to a festival
far out in the middle of nowhere,
but you're always the person to go nowhere with,
because you make nowhere matter.

Someone is dreaming of you, hoping for you,
wondering how you are,
because you are the bright spot in their day,
the star.

Someone is waiting to confide in you,
because you never judge them for their secrets.

Someone is waiting for you to return their call,
because they miss you
and haven't heard your voice in weeks.

Someone is waiting on the stoop of their stairs,
watching the city flurry by,
hoping you'll show up soon,
because there's no one better to watch the world go by with.

Someday, you will thank everything
that is ordinary in your life,
because without all the beautiful, ordinary, everyday-life things,
well, it wouldn't be a life anymore.

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Above is the reading for the
"Roses in Winter"
Service delivered by Rev. "Twinkle" Marie Manning
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