Jesus loves me! This I know
For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to Him belong
They are weak, but He is strong.

Jesus wants me for a sunbeam,
To shine for Him each day;
In every way try to please Him,
At home, at school, at play.

A sunbeam, a sunbeam,
Jesus wants me for a sunbeam;
A sunbeam, a sunbeam;
I'll be a sunbeam for Him.



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"the gap between 'the nolonger' and 'the not-yet"

## We are called to live lives that clearly shine forth beams of peace, love and joy.

New beginnings invariably come from old false things that are allowed to die.

## God is NOT a Being! God is BEING itself.

The central truth of and for spiritual practice is "paying attention" and developing the resources to be present to "what is."

# The driving force behind Fundamentalism is a quest for security.

At the heart of Fundamentalism is the conviction that humans have, I mean "have" as in "actually possess," an ultimate, unfailing and, most importantly, unchanging source of truth.

It is so paradoxical that here and in other places efforts frightened people expend to make the world a safer place only end up making the world a scarier place.

Truth is never ultimate.

To claim infallibility for any person or for a collection of writings is both ridiculous and delusional.

"Takes the Bible back from the specialists and makes it available to the thoughtful reader in all its complexity and splendor: nothing short of a blessing, even a miracle!"

—Peter J. Gomes, author of The Good Book

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### Fundamentalism always has to have an enemy.



"You shall not lie with a male as with a woman; it is an abomination."

"If a man lies with a male as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination; they shall be put to death; their blood be upon them."

#### Jewish identity is shaped by

Sabbath Observance

Dietary Laws

Circumcision

Sexual Purity



