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| |  | | --- | | [G.K. Chesterton](https://mail1.cdsbeo.on.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=Z9bh103jtk2xtLAHUvz6dq3rXN9Gh9AIFag12HEuJP21xpOxilZ9VzA7jitv7K_PmFgkqgKe9AQ.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fr20.rs6.net%2ftn.jsp%3fe%3d001f7NTOukjNYeoXU1S4tWRDOuoft00KuF0vHtnBiUh3yCFw6t2g6G__LmR-GO3LpllHi8l7YkgDgdhwT_HhSfg-RYoBpz2EBxhoOsPG8puTNkQ4B99ghTC5KxgLfdVw1-JhLG7cGyNFCa8dFXv19Wg3w%3d%3d) wrote, “When a person has found something which he prefers to life itself, he [*sic*] for the first time has begun to live.”  Jesus in his proclamation of the kingdom told us what we could prefer to life itself. The Bible ends by telling us we are called to be a people who could say, “Come, Lord Jesus” ([Revelation 22:20](https://mail1.cdsbeo.on.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=Z9bh103jtk2xtLAHUvz6dq3rXN9Gh9AIFag12HEuJP21xpOxilZ9VzA7jitv7K_PmFgkqgKe9AQ.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fr20.rs6.net%2ftn.jsp%3fe%3d001f7NTOukjNYd0SZT9qOifQ0yO6J4Fh7FxvA5YVGgWLCA1Yl0vSL6o0Lk-VijLQGqqxeQo6YqRWAgznesiLBoPNb9GT1lkIefh6b6qxXcBkwjv7CXeVWC1z_6PuQGHfI4k9C-ouTIkB5-ohfzV2MFkVxKGhHDZgR6erBoq7ZO9Z-IhbQBYHCQSFYp9vGkn-6wnqlB-6lHCm7oieuGpgX2f2tL14XZE50KF)), who could welcome something more than business as usual and live in God’s Big Picture. We all have to ask for the grace to prefer something to our small life because we have been offered the Shared Life, the One Life, the Eternal Life, God’s Life that became visible for us in this world as Jesus.  What we are all searching for is Someone to surrender to, something we can prefer to life itself. Well here is the wonderful surprise: *God is the only one we can surrender to without losing ourselves!* The irony is that we actually *find* ourselves, but now in a whole new and much larger field of meaning.  Adapted from [*Preparing for Christmas with Richard Rohr*](https://mail1.cdsbeo.on.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=Z9bh103jtk2xtLAHUvz6dq3rXN9Gh9AIFag12HEuJP21xpOxilZ9VzA7jitv7K_PmFgkqgKe9AQ.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fr20.rs6.net%2ftn.jsp%3fe%3d001f7NTOukjNYcJyhAJvaBQjG0SY72M15ST3j6T2MaRqakvmfHzkz4_jaEBRu5HvxxN4leQUQ_F-sOviBtt1rdcIf5c-4Q1oK39YuUXKd1sL9OgDX0Ls1ESuInbTdnX4dgf6MhLkVdNlzAW3qpHvbCqXfx_WF89EXED3T-Lg0O7p5ClrfJudwfWRw%3d%3d) (book)  The Daily Meditations for 2013 are now available  in Fr. Richard’s new book [*Yes, And . . .*](https://mail1.cdsbeo.on.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=Z9bh103jtk2xtLAHUvz6dq3rXN9Gh9AIFag12HEuJP21xpOxilZ9VzA7jitv7K_PmFgkqgKe9AQ.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fr20.rs6.net%2ftn.jsp%3fe%3d001f7NTOukjNYfYQREwQYtrKyP_J3Akb2rhbR5e2B0xe92gNCXL7m7xubX7qtjP-WvwzgN4SHuAB1-6Fyh93KbaRh3vYdxzaPElqJy1OC5v6QLvZ8oTbP1hJmRjrrWScyf4cWbLxTRmbb2B1zh7SXppCPQ-gxxyhOILqavshGk0eGo%3d)*.* | |