## "Micah 6:8"

By: Kizzy Thomas

In the beginning was the word, And the word was with God, And the word was God.

This word, was,

for the Christian,

what Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. would call a "momentous decree."

Except, unlike the Emancipation Proclamation,

in THIS word would inhere the undeniable power to set all of mankind "thenceforward, and forever free."

—an inalienable right that would pervade all (of) humanity

This word's got the whole world in His hands, and at hand, and

those of His hand

hold this truth to be self evident.

That, In this world, THIS word has NO equal

—coeternal, uncreated, incomprehensibly almighty.

Immeasurably enthroned in absolute sovereignty.

In the beginning was the word.

And the word was with God,

And the word was God.

And THIS word?

He was the first dreamer.

He had a dream so deeply rooted in the will of the Father,

That the thought of confining freedom to an American dream might've been classified as a blasphemous bother,

No, that was too small.

He saw Philemons and Onesimus' sitting down together

and giving each other the right hand of fellowship,

saw a place in the unwise for His truth to take residence,

saw women at wells, waiting to be stoned behind lines and stamped as "no-class" citizens as deserving of "first-class" presence,

He saw little Jew boys and girls joining hands with little Gentile boys and girls,

being collectively embraced, grafted into one Sonship.

"There's neither Jew nor Gentile, slave nor free, male nor female," for all would be under but one covenant.

In the beginning was the word.

And the word was with God,

And the word was God.

And THIS word was the express image of the Father.

I mean... He was absolute perfection, dedication and compassion,

endless water for the thirsty, bread of life for the hungry.

He was utterly enthralling, crowned with majesty and glory,

Author and the finisher, internal-self replenisher, heavy-yoke diminish-er,

the rock on which you can be sure your stance will never break.

The Shepherd, gatekeeper and the gate.

Making crooked places straight. "Waters of justice. Mighty stream of righteousness,"

Eternally victorious, most glorious and holiest.

In the beginning was the word. And the word was with God And the word was God

And THIS word was given to the people of God,
To present to the world the (real) presence of God,
outrageously interpreting the freedom of God.
Stretching arms wide across cultures and boundaries
Eyes wide open to systemic inequities
Ever growing in what it means to live righteously and fully
Making life right through the ability to love wholly
Tremendously endowed with the tools to die daily.

This means (we are) Inspired to inspire free to free loved to love

We are

Healed to heal

Sent away to come back Made whole to pick up pieces

Given much to fill gaps.

Forgiven to show mercy

This is love and compassion, it's humility in action.

All in response

To God's

Reminder

Of what

Is good.

He has shown you, O' mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly

Love mercy

vazalla la asalal

Walk humbly

With our God

So, where does that leave us?