



...continued from the other side

The Three rabbits and the Crow

The first rabbit approached the crow. "In my youth, I was the cleverest bunny around," said the first rabbit. "I could outrun all the dogs and outwit all the cats. That is why I should be let in your garden."

"You have an exciting past," said the crow. "You may pass."

The second rabbit approached the crow. "When I get older, I will perform many great deeds," said the second rabbit. "I will become a famous ruler among rabbits. That is why I should be let in your garden."

"You have a promising future," said the crow. "You may pass."

The third rabbit approached the crow. "I am enjoying this beautiful day," said the third rabbit. "The sun is shining brightly, the breeze is blowing gently, and I am with my friends. That is why I should be let in your garden."

"You are in the present," said the crow. "You may pass."

With that the crow stepped aside and let the three rabbits squeeze through the hole to the garden.

And they all lived happily ever after ... but only the third rabbit noticed.

~Dan Helfman

"...if the Wasichus had a better way, then maybe my people should live that way.

I did not see anything to help my people. I could see that the Wasichus did not care for each other the way our people did before the nations's hoop was broken. They would take everything from each other if they could, so there were some who had more of everything than they could use while crowds of people had nothing at all and maybe were starving. They had forgotten that the earth was their mother."

~Black Elk Speaks

"Adults follow paths. Children explore. Adults are content to walk the same way, hundreds of times, or thousands of times; perhaps it never occurs to adults to step off the paths, to creep beneath the rhododendrons, to find the spaces between fences.

~Neil Gaiman, The Ocean at the end of the Lane

Lips parted, tongue swirls.

Sweet nectar escapes with sighs.

Savoring her love.

~M.J. Nappi