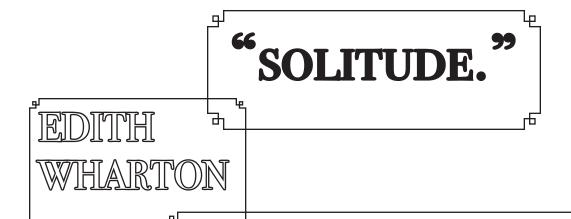
"faith"

A GREAT DEAL OF WHAT I SAY JUST LEAVES ME OPEN, I SUP-POSE, TO A VAST AMOUNT OF MISUNDERSTANDING. A GREAT DEAL OF WHAT I SAY IS BASED ON AN ASSUMPTION WHICH I HOLD AND DON'T ALWAYS STATE. YOU KNOW MY FURY ABOUT PEOPLE IS BASED PRE-CISELY ON THE FACT THAT I CONSIDER THEM TO BE RESPON-SIBLE, MORAL CREATURES WHO SO OFTEN DO NOT ACT THAT WAY. BUT I AM NOT SURPRISED WHEN THEY DO. I AM NOT THAT WRETCHED A PESSIMIST, AND I WOULDN'T SOUND THE WAY I SOUND IF I DID NOT EXPECT WHAT I EXPECT FROM HUMAN BEINGS, IF I DIDN'T HAVE SOME ULTIMATE FAITH AND LOVE, FAITH IN THEM AND LOVE FOR THEM. YOU SEE, I AM A HUMAN BEING TOO, AND I HAVE NO RIGHT TO STAND IN JUDGEMENT OF THE WORLD AS THOUGH I AM NOT A PART OF IT. WHAT I AM DEMANDING OF OTHER PEOPLE IS WHAT I AM DEMANDING OF MYSELF.

baldwin.



TO DECORATE ONE'S INNER HOUSE
SO RICHLY THAT ONE IS CONTENT
THERE, GLAD TO WELCOME ANYONE
WHO WANTS TO COME AND STAY, BUT
HAPPY ALL THE SAME WHEN ONE IS
I N E V I T A B L Y ALONE.

I BELIEVE I KNOW THE ONLY CURE, WHICH IS TO MAKE ONE'S CENTER OF LIFE INSIDE OF ONE'S SELF, NOT SELFISHLY OR EXCLUDINGLY, BUT WITH A KIND OF UNASSAILABLE SERENITY--

"Dem meatskins is got tuh rattle tuh make out they's alive.

Let 'em consulate theyselves wid talk. 'Course, talkin' don't amount tuh uh hill uh beans when yuh can't do nothin' else.

And listenin' tuh dat kind uh talk is jus' lak openin' yo mouth and lettin' de moon shine down yo' throat. It's a known fact Phoeby, you got tuh go there tuh know there. Yo' papa and yo' mama and nobody else can't tell yuh and show yuh. Two things everybody's got tuh do fuh theyselves. They got tuh go tuh God, and they got tuh find out about livin' fuh theyselves."

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Their Eyes Were Watching God | Zora Neale Hurston

"livin'."

"Senor Martini" Under the Tuscan Sun

"Signora, between Austria and Italy, there is a section of the Alps called the Semmering. It is an impossibly steep, very high part of the mountains. They built a train track over these Alps to connect Vienna and Venice. They built these tracks even before there was a train in existence that could make the trip. They built it because they knew some day, the train would come."

WE PUT NO STUMBLING BLOCK IN ANYONE'S PATH, SO THAT OUR MINISTRY WILL NOT BE DISCRED-ITED. RATHER, AS SERVANTS OF GOD WE COMMEND OURSELVES IN EVERY WAY: IN GREAT ENDUR-ANCE; IN TROUBLES, HARDSHIPS AND DISTRESSES; IN BEATINGS, IMPRISONMENTS AND RIOTS; IN HARD WORK, SLEEPLESS NIGHTS AND HUNGER; IN PURITY, UNDER-STANDING, PATIENCE AND KIND-NESS IN THE HOLY SPIRIT AND IN SINCERE LOVE; IN TRUTHFUL SPEECH AND IN THE POWER OF GOD: WITH WEAPONS OF RIGH-TEOUSNESS IN THE RIGHT HAND AND IN THE LEFT; THROUGH GLORY AND DISHONOR, BAD RE-PORT AND GOOD REPORT; GEN-UINE, YET REGARDED AS IM-POSTERS; KNOWN, YET REGARDED AS UNKNOWN, DY-ING, AND YET WE LIVE ON; BEAT-EN, AND YET NOT KILLED; SOR-ROWFUL, YET ALWAYS REJOICING; POOR, YET NOT MAK-ING ANY RICH; HAVING NOTHING AND YET POSSESSING EVERY-THING

"ministry."

SECOND CORINTHIANS
CHAPTER THREE
VERSUS SIX TO TEN