

The Word vs. the World

We are born
into the world,
but born again
by the Word

The world is contingent;
the Word continues.
The world is capricious;
the Word is constant.
The world is conventional;
the Word is covenantal.

We are to be in the world,
but not of it.
We are to abide in the Word
and live by it.

We can hear the world,
but must listen to the Word.
We can see the world,
but must intuit the Word.

We can be for the world,
if we are of the Word.
We can lead the world,
if guided by the Word.
We can inspire the world,
if enflamed by the Word.

The paradox of the gospel:
the world is not our master;
yet we are its servants.

We want, therefore, to be
free from the world
only to be for it;
for the world was created
by the Word.

