

To Survive vs. To Thrive

To be fully alive
do not merely
survive,
but thrive.

To survive,
you keep your head
above water;
to thrive,
you plunge into
the fountain of life.

To survive,
you plod along
the valley;
to thrive,
you gambol over
the hills.

For those who survive
work becomes
a job;
for those who thrive,
employment is creative
engagement.

Survival is fearful
and doesn't take risks;
thriving is bold
and looks for opportunities.

Survival is cautious
and seeks safety;
thriving is adventurous
and pushes the edges.

Survival maintains
the status quo;
thriving has more
seeds to sow.

Survival can lead
to stagnation;
thriving wants
to flourish.

In the Gospel parable
the talents were given
not to be buried
for surviving,
but to be invested
for thriving.

Since time is short,
therefore,
strive to
thrive
and not merely
survive.

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