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## From a Trickle to a Torrent

In the week after Easter, Laura and I went north to do some walking in the Peak District and Lake District. One day we set off to walk up the Fells above Grasmere. On the way up we passed by a spectacular waterfall called Sour Milk Gill. Some way above it was a tarn, and beyond the tarn were the tops of the Fells. We got up as far as a rocky outcrop called 'High White Stones'.

As we descended we walked through some bog and at the edge of the bog some water began to trickle into small rivulets. These rivulets then joined with others to form small streams, and the small streams joined others to form larger streams, some of which ran into tarns that then fed spectacular waterfalls like Sour Milk Gill. Sour Milk Gill becomes a river that feeds into Grasmere.

It is not unusual for people of faith to question whether their prayers and actions have much effect. As we become aware of the enormous need in our world, so we can become overwhelmed. It would be easy, and understandable, if we thought, 'What difference can I make? I might as well just look after myself.' Indeed, this seems to be the attitude that some adopt.



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