

When did you last receive such a personal letter?

Style you recognise, carefully written and placed in a personal envelope and delivered to you by the postie? A thrill to find it in your letter box. These days communication is impersonal, via emails or text messages. In offices it is much easier to send an electronic message to a colleague two desks away, rather than get up and have a conversation. In our church life where is the time for a pastoral chat and a one to one sharing of our faith? All to our spiritual loss. Mums and dads work full time. Weekends are taken up with sport. Our family cars are taxis. We are rarely still and together in one place, it is a mad world. In his Second Letter, John is encouraging a Christian community. "I would write more, but somehow I find it hard to put it down on paper. I hope to come and see you personally, and we will have a long talk together. And how we shall enjoy that!" (2 John, 12, Phillips translation).

## Reflection:

Lord, we are your family in a mad rushing world, please show us the time and space where we hear you say "PEACE BE STILL!" And we can sit down and talk to each other and share our faith experience.

BE STILL FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORDTHE HOLY ONE IS HERE.