

# 2020 Themes and Readings

April Theme: Bright Beginnings

## April 5: Bright Beginnings

Ernest Holmes

We should keep this in mind - the Spirit makes all things out of Itself. Everything comes into being without effort, and when we exert ourselves we are not in accord with the Creative Spirit in the way in which It works. The impulse of the Spirit to move must be caused by a desire to express what It feels Itself to be - Beauty, Form, Color, Life, Love and Power. All things that we find in the manifest universe are caused to spring into being through the Word, because the Spirit wants to enjoy Itself.

The Talmud

Every blade of grass has its angel that bends over it and whispers, 'Grow, grow.'"

## April 12: Broken Open

Ernest Holmes

Jesus knew what we all must learn: that we cannot really have an attitude of dislike or hate or viciousness toward other people without robbing ourselves of the healing power and the comforting Presence and the Divine Assurance that the Universe Itself rests on the shoulders of Love.

Anais Nin

And the day came when the risk to remain tight in a bud was more painful than the risk it took to bloom.

## **April 19: Unwritten**

**Ernest Holmes**

Jesus summed up the whole proposition when he said, "It is done unto you as you believe." In interpreting this saying, however, you must pause after the word as. Think about its meaning and you will discover that he was saying that life not only responds to your belief, it responds after the manner of your believing, as you believe. It is like a mirror reflecting the image of your belief. As we think into this Universal Mind, we set a law in motion, which is creative, and which contains within Itself a limitless possibility.

**Natashia Bedingfield**

I am unwritten, can't read my mind.

I'm undefined.

I'm just beginning, the pen's in my hand.

Ending unplanned.

## **April 26: Fire in the Belly**

**Ernest Holmes**

There is an irresistible Universal and Divine urge within us to be happy, to be whole, and to express the fullness of Life. The latent Divinity within us stirs our imagination and, because of Its insistent demand, impels and compels our growth. It proclaims Itself through every creative endeavor; It has produced sages, saints, and saviors, and will, when permitted, create a new world in which war, poverty, sickness, and famine will have disappeared.

**Sonia Choquette**

You must not define yourself by experiences or conditions, for while these are tools you can use, they are not who you are. You are spirit - a fiery, heavenly intelligence created by God and unlimited in nature.

