

Repairing the World

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Chalice Lighting

We are not asked to look at the light.
We are asked to look at, to love,
And to heal the world this light illumines.

Check In

Reading: Repair of the World, a Kabbalistic creation story, as retold by Naomi Newman

Read this story: http://archive.uua.org/ga/ga05/5018_Tukkun_Olam_story.pdf
The perfect world is all around us, but broken into jagged pieces, like a puzzle thrown to the floor, the picture lost, each piece without meaning until someone puts them back together again. We are that someone.

Discussion & Sharing Questions:

- What words or images jump out to you from this story?
- When have you encountered some of the world's jagged pieces or brokenness? What happened? What were your feelings and experiences?
- How can you imagine that experience or situation as being different?
- What does your heart ache for in our world?
- What would a better or more perfect world look like? How does this vision move you?

Closing Thoughts

Extinguishing the Chalice