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Art is so often better at theology than theology is.

~Christian Wiman

Nature poets can't walk across the backyard without tripping over an epiphany.

~Christian Wiman

Sometimes God calls a person to unbelief in order that faith may take new forms.

~Christian Wiman

To be truly alive is to feel one's ultimate existence within one's daily existence.

~Christian Wiman

Human imagination is not simply our means of reaching out to God but God's means of manifesting himself to us.

~Christian Wiman

We should be suspicious when God's call conforms so neatly to our own inclinations.

~Christian Wiman

I don't think that someone who does not speak the original language can ever expect to produce a real translation.

~Christian Wiman

I honestly don't know whether I am describing something essential about the way we know God or merely my own weakness of mind.

~Christian Wiman

I find myself continually falling back into wounds, wishes, terrors I thought I had risen beyond.

~Christian Wiman

I'm drawn to this range, that's for sure, but I suppose the thing that most appeals to me about Mandelstam is the sense you get from every poem that everything - the poet's very soul - is at stake.

~Christian Wiman

Mandelstam was an artistic genius, the sort that any century produces only a handful of.

~Christian Wiman

I suppose I do believe that the greatest art consoles a wound that it creates, that art can give you the capacity to endure and respond to the pain it forces you to feel. Psychological pain, I mean.

~Christian Wiman

I think of translations as passing some scholarly smell test: you can read the words of the translation and be reasonably sure of what the words are in the original.

~Christian Wiman

God is with us, not beyond us, in suffering.

~Christian Wiman

One of the ways in which I feel close to God is writing poetry.

~Christian Wiman

Wonder is the precondition for all wisdom.

~Christian Wiman

It's just that different emotions and perceptions demand different frequencies and intensities.

~Christian Wiman

Mandelstam - his gift and the untamable nature of it - was like a thorn in Stalin's brain.

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