

Faith
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I believe that this day, all of it, shall be of modest temperatures, without rain, and
that the sun will rise and set at the appointed time.

Now, is that faith? Of course not. It's the guess made of the facts.

In an earlier day, Faith was both common and unreal.

In this age of accusations, it is less common, still unreal.

Tonight the children of much of our world will take to their neighborhood
streets, costumed or not, will ask at each home visited, "Thick or Treat". Most will
be incapable of performing any Trick, that complete misunderstanding that they
should receive something of value for no personal sacrifice.

Told by a loving adult this is their due,
it is this attitude many will take into adulthood.

Tomorrow in these United States most will forget what all the shouting was about
this Halloween evening. Will not realize it is the prelude to that following day.

That they may have listened to, or joined in, singing of the
great spiritual, "When the Saints Come Marching In".

Yes tomorrow, November first, is All Saints Day.

In this failure to connect the dots, I'm reminded on the secular TV show Jeopardy.

For a recent final question the three were given the question

I summarize here,

Who said

"I have been blind all my life, but when I die, I shall see."

One knew this was the legacy of the extraordinary Helen Keller.

Alex Trebec congratulated that contestant;
and on camera, did not ask the winning contestant if she shared Helen's faith.