

Words for Christmas Day

(A Reflection by Church of Scotland Minister, Peter Millar)

*In the poorest homes, and in the richest,
the candles are lit,
some burning brightly, others a fragile flicker
much like ourselves on this Christmas Day.
Fragile, even if well sheltered and booster-filled,
we wonder what the candles say to us
in such unusual times.*

Perhaps six words is all we need from these small flames:

“take courage, and be not afraid”

*timeless words -
always able to penetrate
our uncertain journeys -
and wonderfully gifted from God.
reminding us
that Christmas illumines
our true meaning on earth,
our amazing, courageous humanity,
and our extraordinary capacity to love.*