

GIV TID! GIV TID!
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Det er januar. Vind fra øst har sendt kulde og sne ind over vores egn.

Lige nu er det opholdsvejr. Vinden suser ikke i træerne over mit hus. Snevejret er ophørt. Alle træer, buske og urter er dækket af rimfrost, og det er koldt at bevæge sig rundt ude i haven i den dybe sne.

Jeg tager mig selv i at gå rundt og nynne en kendt dansk folkemelodi:

*I sne står urt og busk i skjul
det er så koldt derude;
dog synger der en lille fugl
på kvist ved frosne rude.*

Digtet fortsætter:

*Giv tid! giv tid! - den nynner glad
og ryster de små vinger, -
giv tid! og hver en kvist får blad;
giv tid! - hver blomst udspringer.*

Det er fortællingen om, at godt nok er der koldt, men vi ved jo at efter vinter kommer vår.

Den danske digter Bernhard Severin Ingemann benyttede netop sin digtning til at fremhæve, at selv om alt lige nu ser sort ud, så skal det hele nok blive bedre siden hen.

Måske kan vi overføre denne indstilling til verdens gang i dag: Klimakatastrofer, krige, sult og fattigdom. Skal vi skabe forandringer, skal vi tro på, at det, vi gør, nytter: Giv tid! Giv tid!

Give time! Give time!

It is January. Winds from the east have sent cold and snow into our area.

Right now, it has cleared up. The wind does not whisper in the trees above my house. The snowfall has stopped. All the trees, bushes, and herbs are covered in hoar frost, and it is cold to move around in the garden in the deep snow.

I find myself walking around humming a well-known Danish folk tune:

*In snow, herb and bush are hidden;
it is so cold out there;
however, a small bird is singing
on twig by frozen pane.*

The poem continues:

*Give time! give time! - it hums happily
and shakes the small wings, -
give time! and every twig will get leaves;
give time! each flower will come out.*

It is the story that, well, it is cold, but we know that after winter comes spring.

The Danish poet Bernhard Severin Ingemann used his poetry to emphasize that even if the outlook is none too good now, probably everything will later get better.

Perhaps we can transfer this attitude to the world today: Climate disasters, wars, hunger, and poverty. If we are to create change, we must believe, that what we do is useful: Give time! Give time!



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