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BREAD OF ANGELS

Feeding on the Word by Barbara Brown Taylor

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If you are looking for something different to enliven your personal Bible reading, then I thoroughly commend Bread of Angels. Barbara Brown Taylor is a beautiful writer and in this book she takes passages and characters from the Bible and explores God's provision and the surprising ways in which he supplies just like the manna in the wilderness.

Take for example chapter 7, the Wilderness Exam. Lent begins with this story but the exam is at the end of the 40 days. Taylor takes us into and out of Jesus' encounter with the Devil in an imaginative and telling way.

The last section on "Apocalyptic Figs" is intriguing as she takes us into the strange parables and sayings about which Jesus told as His earthly life drew to an end.

The chapters are short and so are ideal for incorporating into our daily readings and like the manna they will provide ample food for thought for each day.

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