



Summer Sermon Series ~ Stories From The Road

When is Far Enough, Far Enough?

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First Reading ~ Luke 13:6-8

Jesus told this parable: "There was a fig tree growing in a vineyard. The owner came out looking for fruit on it, but didn't find any. The owner said to the vine dresser, 'Look here! For three years now I've come out in search of fruit on this fig tree and have found none. Cut it down. Why should it clutter up the ground?'

"In reply, the vine dresser said, 'Please leave it one more year while I hoe around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine; if not, then let it be cut down.'"

Second Reading ~ from Archbishop Oscar Romero in "The Violence of Love"

I want to assure you--
and I ask your prayers to be faithful to this promise--
that I will not abandon my people,
but together with them I will run all the risks
that my ministry demands.