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**Lent at Lakeside:
My Heart as Sanctuary
My Life as Prayer
Devotion for Monday,
March 12, 2018**

**Where I'm From
By Connor Evans**

I am from Lafayette Avenue
in Eastern, NC,
in a house where the roar
of the train is heard daily,
where the basketball constantly
misses the hoop.

I am from Patagonia and
Vineyard Vines,
where friends play
the same sports and dress alike,
where there is more laughter
than crying.

I am from Thanksgiving feasts,
singing Happy Birthday,
Elves on the Shelf,
and opening one present on Christmas Eve.

I am from summers
filled with water balloons,
trips to the beach and pool,
being with friends,
and fireworks on the Fourth of July.

John 3:14-17

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Prayer

Lord, help us to examine ourselves and see if we are willing to give all for you. Search our hearts and convict us where there is still fear, self-preoccupation, and lack of trust. Amen.

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