

One Who Sees

a liturgy for a classroom observation

To the One who sees, give me eyes to see Your servant rightly.
For they are Your beloved, whom You have called to teach and nurture this group of students.
Calm any nervousness they may have with me in the room, quietly observing and taking notes.
Remind them that their identity is secure in You, no matter how this lesson goes today.
Quiet my own heart as I sit here as one tasked with giving feedback.
Allow Your peace and joy to fill this sacred space where minds and hearts are shaped.

Permit me to clearly discern what will take place.
I acknowledge that I cannot see it all.
I am limited, but You are not.
You see everything.
Shine a light on what and who You want me to see.

May I remember that I am a guest in this space,
here to walk alongside my colleague in their professional growth;
to encourage them in this often isolating work.
May my observations be an affirmation of their gifts and calling.

Teach me today through Your servant.
Grant me humility when I see strategies executed well in areas where I am weak.
May my thoughts be seasoned with grace if I see mistakes or areas where they need to grow.
For what do I have that You did not give me?
Every good and perfect gift comes from You.

You have created order and beauty in all that You have made.
Provide me with clarity to see how each question, PPT slide, text, and task
build upon one another to meet the lesson's objectives.

One who sees, open the mind of each student as they sit in this class.
Whether they come confident or anxious,
allow them the gift of presence, focus and understanding.
May the material be scaffolded in such a way
that they are drawn into the learning environment,
even while carrying their own life's concerns.

One who sees, with Your help nothing done for You is in vain. I give You this time of observation.
Let whatever is done well today be not to us, not to us, but for Your glory.

Amen