

Sending Forth

Go take part in the spirit of the Order of the Arrow in all of the phases of your life. Look each day in the mirror, and marvel at what you see. Reflect God's image and presence to all you encounter, that they may see and be filled with the presence of God as well!

Amen.



A SCOUT IS REVERENT



Look in the Mirror

Welcome and Greeting

Leader: God is good

All: All the time.

Leader: And all the time

All: God is good!

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading – I Corinthians 13:12

For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

Message – The Man in the Glass, author unknown

(This poem was included on mirrors handed out to all participants at the 1973 NOAC in Santa Barbara, CA)

*When you get what you want in your struggle for self,
And the world makes you king for a day,
Just go to a mirror and look at yourself,
And see what that man has to say.*

*For it isn't your father or mother or wife
Whose judgment upon you must pass,
The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life,
Is the one staring back from the glass.*

*Some people might think you're a straight-shooting
chum, and call you a wonderful guy.
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye.*

*He's the fellow to please, never mind all the rest
For he's with you clear to the end.
And you've passed your most difficult, dangerous test*

If the guy in the glass is your friend.

*You may fool the whole world down the pathway of
years
And get pats on the back as you pass,
But your final reward will be heartache and tears
If you've cheated the man in the glass.*

As you look in the mirror each morning, do you see someone who exemplifies the spirit of the Order of the Arrow? Do you see someone whose life is like that of an arrow? Or do you see someone whose daily struggles have made it hard to keep a true course? What does God expect us to see when we look in that mirror?

Song – "Scout Vespers"

(modified for a morning service – K. Cheesman 2012)

*Softly starts the light of day,
While our dreams still fade away.
Silently each Scout should ask,
Will I do my daily task?
Will I keep my honor bright?
Will God be pleased with me tonight?
Help me Lord to find my way,
As I start this brand new day.*

*With our voice we join as one,
Thanking God for Scouting fun.
May we now go on our way,
Praising God for this great day.
May we always love and share,
Live in peace beyond compare,
As Scout leaders may we find,
Friendships true with all mankind.*