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Five Fingers

Sister Thea Bowman was an African American Franciscan sister who broke many barriers. In addition to her teaching, music, and championing of the celebration of many cultures, she also has an image that speaks to me frequently. She said that each day we take with us our backpacks, our lunches, and other essentials, but we always take with us as well, our two hands, each of which has five fingers.

The five fingers remind us that each and every day, we carry with us all of humanity. The five fingers remind us of the five races in our world: black, brown, red, white, and yellow. Our world is rich with language, culture, traditions, and ways of looking at life. Let us always continue to affirm, respect, and learn from one another and from all of the ways that we can inspire one another from the rich, diverse ways that all of us look at life and try to live each day with all the faithfulness and the love that God calls from each of us every day.

Live Jesus!

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