

#112 The Buffalo and Her Neighbors

A herd of buffalo were in a drought that had spread across the entire land. They had precious little water to drink and the grasses were turning brown. To make things worse, the herd had to migrate a great distance to find a watering hole. They walked from sunup to sundown. On the third day, they found a watering hole. But lo and behold, it was crowded with animals, including lions! This was a frightening and dangerous situation. One young buffalo cried out to his mother, "Here are the animals you have taught me to avoid at all costs! What should I do, now?" His mother answered in hushed tones, "We will go slowly to the water. Stay close to me. Wait until I say." "Do you mean we are to TRUST the lions, mama?" pleaded the young one. "No!" his mother emphatically whispered, "we must never trust a lion's desires. But in this pandemic, we have no choice but to have FAITH that the lion, too, will follow a higher law."

> WE CAN'T TRUST OUR LOWER SELVES BUT WE CAN HAVE FAITH IN THE HIGHER