Denys Calvaert (Attributed)
(Flemish)

*Flight into Egypt*
ca. 1580
oil on copper, 17” x 13 3/8”
Gift of the Estate of Alice Tweed Tuohy

This painting tells us a story from the New Testament. The artist Denys Calvaert shows us a moment when the Holy family had escaped from Nazareth and were stopping to rest under a palm tree.

Even though this painting is over 400 years old it has no cracks and the colors are still shiny and bright because the artist painted on copper, a type of metal.

Look carefully at the details. Imagine the tiny paintbrush the artist must have used.
Look carefully at the painting. Imagine that you are going for a walk in this painting. Write about your walk here.

Where would you begin your walk? Where would you go next? ____________________________
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What would you see around you? What would you hear? Smell? Feel? _________________
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Describe the mood of your walk. Would it be a peaceful stroll? A dangerous hike? A scary experience? A fun adventure? ________________________________________________
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What would you say to the people in this painting? What do you think the people would say to you? ____________________________________________________________________________________
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How does your walk end? __________________________________________________________________________
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