

Saturday - March 28

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28 (NIV)

I have spent many years working in Human Resources. Years ago, I was enjoying a fun birthday weekend getaway and I got a call from my boss on a Sunday (never good). I needed to go to work to begin conducting an investigation regarding a high profile person and alleged inappropriate property in his/her possession. In short, the person was beloved and the situation was convoluted. There were several other high profile people that had pieces of information from which I (the least senior person) had to gather, and there was disagreement among them on how the situation should be handled. We were overwhelmed by the seriousness. If the allegations were true, this person's life and the life of the organization would be upended. If it was false and the allegations leaked, the very rumors could be disastrous. It also created unspoken rational/irrational fear of retaliation if we missed investigating correctly. I remember several of us standing in the high profile person's office reviewing facts and prioritizing next steps when it hit me, I needed to ask my coworkers to pray with me. Some might find it risky to pray in the workplace; I felt like it was riskier not to.

Many years later, long after that high profile person was fully exonerated, they came to me and said, "Thank you for what you did." I said, "What did I do?" They said, "I heard you prayed."

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Prayer: Holy God, sometimes our job training leads us to believe we have all the tools necessary to get through each work day successfully. Despite our self-sufficiency and ego, we are thankful to be able to call on You in church, in the car, in the grocery line, in bed, in despair, in happiness or in our work settings. Thank you for Your omnipresence. Amen.