Tuesday - March 3

...but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31 (NRSV)

It's funny the things you find when you are cleaning out that junk drawer in your kitchen or those piles on your desk. Sometimes there are things that you don't even remember keeping but you're really glad you did!

It was one such time when I was having kind of a rough day that I ran across something that caused me to stop and pause. There on a few pieces of scrap paper were the rough draft notes from my dad's funeral service from almost **five years ago.** Along with the notes was the picture of my dad we had used for the obituary.

Those of you that have lost a loved one, probably know where I am going with this. I really felt like my dad was speaking to me that day. He was telling me that things were going to be all right, just like he always did in his very calm, patient and reassuring way.

On one of the notebook papers was a scribbled scripture verse. I hadn't thought much about it before, but now it will always have an extra-special meaning to me.

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." -Isaiah 40:31

Instead of feeling sad, I had a sense of peace and comfort. I was flooded with wonderful happy memories! I was really blessed to have such a great dad!

So, you might be wondering what I did with that scrap piece of paper? Well, I put it right back in that bin of things that need to be filed so that treasure will be there for me to find again someday.

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength They shall mount up with wings as eagles They shall run and not be weary They shall walk and not faint Teach me Lord, teach me Lord to wait.

Teach Me Lord to Wait Song by Bill and Gloria Gaither

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