

Tuesday - March 16

For our momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison.

2 Corinthians 4:17 (NASB)

Sometimes I wonder: “Am I the only person who struggles?” I believe in my heart that I am a Child of God! And yet there are times and circumstances that make me have doubts! Why do I suffer? Why do those I care for die and go away? Why do people that I do my best (in and out of church) to be what they expect forsake me when I fall short?

I gave my life to the Lord, was baptized and committed my life to Him in my teens. My parents were not Christians: their comfort was in alcohol. The church family held me close and I tried even harder to be the best. I attended Bible College, graduated was ordained and moved forward to be and do everything they expected. Struggling within myself constantly. Am I really serving the Lord or just in bondage trying to please others? Like every one—I wanted love and respect. I found myself in my own Gethsemane! I prayed! He heard!! My life would never be the same! At the ripe age of seventy-five the grace of our God has never failed! Ministry is still going strong and I have good friends, brothers and sisters (in the church and out) who love and care for me just as I am.

In this most sacred season; we as His children must not give up!! How could we? Things look like they are falling apart outside, but inside God is making new life! Instead of crying out in frustration; know that all these hard times are small potatoes compared to the blessings that yet to come! God hears our call in the nick of time; when you need Him....HE WILL BE THERE!!!

Paul

Prayer: Lord of my life: help me to look beyond the frustrations and anxieties of life and to catch the vision of what is to come! It is worth it all to be Your child to prove You through the last long mile. I wait in the shadow of Your grace; knowing, You will change me and keep me in safe in all my ways!! THE BEST IS YET TO COME!! AMEN!!!!!!