Thursday - March 3

"Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him."

James 1:12 (ESV)

It is such a blessing to still be part of a small prayer group with a couple of friends from the days when I taught at Wyandot Run. We share praises in good times and support each other during bad times.

One of our prayer warriors told us she believes that every day is a test. You just need to pass today's test! I had always tried to take one day at a time – but this seems to have a deeper meaning and has taken it to the next level for me.

Your day might be filled with problems at work or a fuss with your family. Maybe you left one of your shopping bags at the grocery store, or your child had a bad game. Maybe you lost a piece of jewelry, or you had to get your tire fixed. Maybe you were late for an appointment, or your purse was stolen. You might have had an unexpected expense or a visit to Urgent Care. It seems like everything can be an ordeal! But you just need to pass today's test.

My mom has a few favorite phrases that she always says to me when things go wrong: "This too will pass" and "there is no problem too big to solve." Now I can add to my list of encouraging words that, "I just need to pass today's test."

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Prayer: Dear God, please give us the strength and courage to pass the test of each day. Amen.