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Referral Ministry of Transformation Ministries Alliance

He rescued me because He delighted in me. Ps 18:19b

# THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: The Lord appeared to me from afar, saying, "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, I have drawn you with lovingkindness..." Jer 31:3

## Jesus Never Broke My Heart

I've been in a very dry place for several months spiritually. I have not turned away from the Lord, nor have I considered chucking it all. I have kept up my spiritual disciplines of prayer, Bible reading, and worship; but it has all felt dry. The Lord has continued to grow Abba's Delight ministry with new participants, new counselees, and additional speaking engagements; and I continue to sense His anointing. Yet it is dry. It **feels** disjointed. I **feel** disconnected. I know my feelings are not reliable, that they're fickle, and they sometimes don't align with God's truth. So, even in this dry spell, I look to His path ahead.

What has kept me plodding on is 51 years of learning and knowing that God is faithful, that I can trust Him, that He will carry me when I need to be carried, that His grace (His power in me to do His will) is sufficient, that His mercies are new every morning, and most of all that He loves me as His treasured son. There is so much security in all this.

I'm remembering a Christian band from the '70s called Hope of Glory. One of their songs was "Jesus Never Broke My Heart." It speaks to me of His love, and of His faithfulness towards me. "I've had my share of troubles all of my born days. I've seen the hearts that have easy lives. I've known the world and its evil ways. But Jesus never broke my heart. He's the One who loved me from the start. He never loved me then left me all alone. Jesus calls me His own." It's on YouTube if you want to check it out.

I believe and know that this dry spell will eventually end for me. I am not fretting that. I continue to press in to my Father, my Savior, and my Comforter as I move forward in Him. I am secure in His love for me and in His ongoing plan and purpose. No better place to be!

### **Responses From You**

From a local pastor: Needed that today, my brother. We appreciate you all.

From a ministry leader: Daniel, this is an awesome newsletter. Great input from others. Thank you for all you do.

From Australia: Great message, Daniel. Totally agree.

From a sister: Excellent message!

From a brother: Thank you for the teaching, brother. Beautiful.

#### **Upcoming Ministry Meetings**

Overcomers Group: Thursday, August 5, 2021; Thursday, August 19, 2021 Family & Friends Group: Tuesday, August 10, 2021; Tuesday, August 24, 2021

#### **Upcoming Events**

Sunday, August 15, 2021 10:30am CST. Speaking at Columbia First Church of the Nazarene in Columbia, KY

#### **Ongoing Prayer Requests**

New Participants for Overcomers Group • New members for our Family & Friends Group (especially wives) • Ministry Finances • Open doors to churches, so pastor and staff can be effectively equipped • Those currently being served by Abba's Delight ministry, both Overcomers and Family & Friends • Continued freedom to operate ministry in Kentucky • Smooth establishment of new network, Transformation Ministries Alliance

#### **Answered Prayers**

The Lord has answered your and our prayers for ministry participants/counselees with four new ones in the last couple of months. Thank You, Father; and thank you to those of you who have been praying. Please continue.

If you do not wish to receive the Abba's Delight Ministry Newsletter any longer, please let me know. If you do wish to continue to receive it, please be certain to put our email address in your address book, so that this mailing does not go to your spam, and report to your carrier. Thank you.

Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24-25