

Verse of the Month Devotional

February

*And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God,
to them who are the called according to his purpose.*

Romans 8:28

Thoughts on the verse:

THERE ARE MANY TIMES IN OUR LIVES WHERE WE SEE BROKENNESS AND WRECKAGE AND PAINFUL THINGS LEFT WITHOUT CLOSURE. OUR NATURAL MINDS CAN GET STUCK ON WHAT WE SEE WITH OUR EYES RIGHT IN FRONT OF US. PAUL REMINDS US WITH THIS VERSE IN ROMANS THAT GOD WORKS ALL THINGS OUT FOR OUR GOOD. WE CAN HOLD ONTO THIS PROMISE AS BELIEVERS, REMINDING OURSELVES THE TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD. OUR FAITH IN ACTION IS WAKING UP EACH DAY AND CHOOSING TO BELIEVE THAT GOD IS GOOD, AND THAT HE WILL USE ALL THINGS, (EVEN OUR PAIN AND OUR SUFFERING AND OUR BROKENNESS), ALL FOR HIS GLORY, AND FOR THE ULTIMATE GOOD OF HIS KINGDOM. WE CAN CHOOSE TO BELIEVE THAT EVEN IF WE DO NOT SEE BEAUTY OR ANSWERS TO OUR PAINFUL OR DIFFICULT SITUATIONS ON THIS SIDE OF HEAVEN, WE WILL SEE THEM ULTIMATELY IN GLORY FOR ETERNITY.

Prayer:

FATHER, WE THANK YOU TODAY THAT YOU PROMISED US THAT YOU WILL WORK ALL THINGS TOGETHER FOR OUR GOOD. AND THOUGH WE MAY NOT BE FOUND THANKING YOU FOR THE BAD THINGS THAT HAPPEN IN OUR LIVES, WE PROMISE TO THANK YOU WHILE WE WALK THROUGH THE BAD THINGS. WE BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE STILL GOOD, YOU ARE STILL, MERCIFUL, AND THAT YOU WILL WORK OUT EVERY SITUATION FOR YOUR GLORY. FATHER HELP US TO SEE THINGS THE WAY THAT YOU SEE THEM SO THAT WE MAY BETTER UNDERSTAND YOUR KINGDOM PURPOSE, EVEN IN OUR PAIN IN JESUS' NAME.

Action:

THIS MONTH, TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO JOURNAL ABOUT A DIFFICULT CHALLENGE YOU ARE FACING IN YOUR LIFE RIGHT NOW. WRITE OUT YOUR FEARS AND CONCERNS AND CHALLENGES. THEN PROCLAIM THE GOODNESS OF GOD AND REFRAME THE DIFFICULTY OF THE SITUATION BY PROFESSING YOUR BELIEF THAT GOD WILL ULTIMATELY USE IT FOR HIS GOOD.

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