

DAY 10 – 6/16

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed. ... Without weakening in his faith. (Romans 4:18-19)

~~ Great faith comes from great trials ~~

I will never forget the statement which that great man of faith George Mueller once made to a gentleman who had asked him the best way to have strong faith: "The only way to know strong faith is to endure great trials. I have learned my faith by standing firm through severe testings."

How true this is! You must trust when all else fails.

Dear soul, you may scarcely realize the value of your present situation. If you are enduring great afflictions right now, you are at the source of the strongest faith. God will teach you during these dark hours to have the most powerful bond to His throne.

"Don't be afraid; just believe" (Mark 5:36). But if you ever are afraid, simply look up and say, "When I am afraid, I will trust in you" (Ps. 56:3). Then you will be able to thank God for His school of sorrow that became for you the school of faith. – A. B. Simpson

Great faith must first endure great trials.

God's great gifts come through great pain. Can we find anything of value in the spiritual or the natural realm that has come about without tremendous toil and tears? (LC – June 2)

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Abba Father,

I am sorry that I always pray for stronger faith to have greater spiritual power. I expected to have a greater faith through prayers. Oh, Lord! Please forgive my lack of patience and help me to endure suffering in Christ so that I can have stronger faith and hope in Christ to overcome any challenges from this world. Amen. (DC)