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AGLES' WINGS AGLES' with wings as eagles."



"They shall mount up..

Moment By Moment

Dying with Jesus, by death reckoned mine; Living with Jesus, a new life divine; Looking to Jesus 'till glory doth shine, Moment by moment, O Lord, I am Thine.

Never a trial that He is not there, Never a burden that He does not bear, Never a sorrow that He does not share, Moment by moment I'm under His care.

Never a heart-ache, and never a groan, Never a tear-drop and never a moan; Never a danger but there on the throne, Moment by moment He thinks of His own.

Never a weakness that He does not feel, Never a sickness that He cannot heal; Moment by moment, in woe or in weal, Jesus, my Savior, abides with me still.

Moment by moment I'm kept in His love; Moment by moment I've life from above; Looking to Jesus 'till glory doth shine; Moment by moment, O Lord, I am thine.

-D.W. Whittle

Dear Friends,

Isaiah 40:31

As I was praying and thinking about a subject for the next issue of "On Eagle's Wings" my attention was directed to the "One Things" of scripture. The first "one" is found in John 9: 25. There we read of a man who had been born blind. The disciples wrongly felt that either he or his parents had sinned to cause this blindness. The Lord Jesus then anointed his eyes with clay and told him to go and wash in the pool of Siloam. He did that and then was able to see. The Jews would not believe that he had been born blind. They then called the man that was born blind and said to him, "Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner." He answered and said "Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see."

Later as he met the Lord Jesus he believed in Him and worshiped Him. Verses 35-38. All of

us who are now saved were once blind as to our spiritual condition but now having believed in the Lord Jesus as our Savior we too look forward to that day when we will see Him face to face.

A **second "one"** is found in Luke 10: 38-42. There we find two sisters named Martha and Mary. Martha had received the Lord Jesus into her home and was very busy serving the Lord Jesus. Wouldn't we all love to do that? Mary, however, was sitting at Jesus' feet listening to what the Lord Jesus was saying. Martha came to the Lord Jesus and said: "Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she would help me".

Jesus answered with these words. "Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: but "**one" thing** is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her." We learn from this that more important than any thing else in our lives is to take time each day to be alone in His presence hearing Him speak to us through His precious Word and to sit as it were at His feet. If we seek Him before the day begins we will experience His leading and guiding through the day.

A third "one" is found in Philippians 3:13. "But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ." Philippians 3:13,15. We may think of past failures or of times when we were used of the Lord in helping others or in leading others to Christ. We are not to dwell on our failures or on those times when the Lord enabled us to lead some one to accept the Lord as their Savior.

Our prayer should always be:

"Search me, O God, and know my heart: prove me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any grievous way in me; and lead me in the way everlasting". Psalm 139:23,24.

As we seek to glorify our Lord we also should never loose sight that we are to "**Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice**. Philippians 4:4. When the apostle Paul had Epaphroditus write these words he was in prison. What a witness his joy was to the jailers and other prisoners. About 18 times in this epistle he mentions the words "**joy**" and "**rejoice.**" So even though we may be going through trials of all kinds we still can with the Lord's help experience the joy of the Lord.

Another good example of rejoicing is found in Acts 16:22-34. The apostle Paul and Silas were thrown into the inner prison. They were beaten and chained but what did they do? They prayed and sang praises to the Lord. The prisoners heard them and there was a great earthquake. The keeper of the prison ran to Paul and Silas and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved? The wonderful answer came. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." Acts 25-31. What a testimony that was to the other prisoners and the jailer." The jailer **rejoiced** and believed in God along with all in his house.

May the Lord help each of us to have our priorities in the right order. First, like Mary may we each start every day by taking time to read God's Word and then to pray. I am reminded of the following words that King David wrote. "**My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up.**" Psalm 5:3. How good to start the day by looking up to our Lord and letting Him hear our voice. As we look up to Him we will find the strength and the joy that will enable us glorify our Lord in all that we say or do. May this be true of each of us as we face each day with its problems and trials.

> "Our times are in Thy Hand, Father, we wish them there; Our life, our soul, our all, we leave Entirely to Thy care.

> "Our times are in Thy hand. Whatever they may be, Pleasing or painful, dark or bright, As best may seem to Thee.

> "Our times are in Thy hand, Why should we doubt or fear? A Father's hand will never cause His child a needless tear.

Our times are in Thy hand, Jesus the crucified ! The hand our many sins had pierced Is now our Guard and Guide.

Our times are in Thy hand., Jesus the Advocate ! Nor can that hand be stretched in vain For us to supplicate

Our times are in Thy hand; We'd always trust in Thee, Till we have left this weary land, And all Thy glory see."

----W. F. Lloyd

In His wonderful love,

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