

APRIL

Sweet Victory in Jesus, Our Savior forever!

"...but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 15:57

It snowed on April 1^{st.} April fools! But then again on April 2nd, and again on April 3rd. Yes, SNOW. This year April *snow* showers will bring May flowers. At least in Idaho! So let it snow because we know that better days are coming soon - **we BELIEVE**.

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful." (Hebrews 10:23)

Faithful - to send the rain, and to set a rainbow in the clouds that remind us of His promise. (Gen 9:13)

Faithful - to provide a way of escape for us so that we can endure trials and temptation when it comes our way. (I Cor. 10:13)

Faithful - because God's mercies never cease, they are new and fresh every single morning! (Lam. 3:23)

"In this world, you will have trouble, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world!" (John 16:33)

The same God who created all things with a spoken word certainly was not caught unaware by Adam's "fall", nor was He surprised by Satan's request to test Job. (Job 1:12, 42:2) God knows the beginning from the end. As He indicated for His people Israel, "...I know the plans I have for you; plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jer. 29:11) And so we can trust that God sees us too. He says that the trials He allows in our lives will be for our good, (Romans 8:28) and for our growth. (James 1:2-4) Consider it all

joy my sisters, because growth brings transformation and transformation causes us to look more like Jesus!

"We all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit." (2 Cor. 3:18)

Oh, I want to look more like Jesus, don't you?! I caught several glimpses of Him at the Celebration of Life for Lori Mosqueda this week. Her family shared how she reached out with care and concern to others who were hurting, even though fighting her own life-and-death battle with cancer. I saw Jesus. Her Facebook posts of the hope and promise and strength she received from God's Word each day encouraged her. Me too! Her love for Jesus and her desire to share Him with everyone she knew, is the legacy that she entrusted to her family and now leaves with all of us who knew her. What a blessing! Lori's example of peace and unwavering faith in the face of death is our resurrection cry because **we BELIEVE**.

"TO LIVE IS CHRIST, and to die is GAIN!" Phil. 1:21

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Happy Resurrection Day!

From your Women's Ministry Team,

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