

Dwelling on the Positive

What a beautiful time of the year it is. This is the season for us to celebrate life and all the wonderful and incredible blessings that we have. I know there are many areas of struggle and battles going on all around you at this moment. But this is the time to look at the great things and not to be distracted by drama. It can be easy to slip into worry and concern in our world today but praise the Lord that we no longer belong to this world. We are citizens of Heaven with God as our Father, and nothing is impossible for us.

Christmas is the best time to take a deep breath and remind ourselves of what is truly important in our life. To celebrate, dance, leap, shout and jump up and down over the blessings of God that we do have. Let's remind ourselves to rejoice in God's goodness and incredible love. Let's keep our faith looking forward to His wondrous things to come.

I was visiting a friend one time, and his dog had recently given birth to a litter of puppies. As I was walking through the yard, two of the pups kept right under my feet, and every other step was interrupted by them. They wanted to play and were persistent to keep jumping at my toes and not leave me alone. It took forever to make my way to the house where my friend was on the porch.

I asked him if he had given a name to these two yet. He replied no, so I quoted Psalm 23:6 to Him. "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever." "That should be their names" I said. "Goodness and Mercy".

I am expecting the blessings of God to follow you and to interrupt your day by bumping into you continually. Keep your eyes, mind, and heart on Him and His never-ending love for you. Be encouraged every morning that God is for you and not against you. God's love for you is not based on you; it is established within Himself; therefore, He can say to you that "I will never leave you nor forsake you".

Let's take this time of the year and refocus on Him and remind ourselves that there are great things ahead of us. Our heart will rejoice in Him as our mind dwells on His love for us. We shall celebrate His goodness every moment of every day.

Merry Christmas,

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