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John 14:26

²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name will teach you all things, and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Before I share my story, let me ask: “What reminders is God sending you? Are you allowing God to be your strength when the enemy comes? Are you dwelling in God’s peace?”

Last Wednesday 4/22, I was on my way to an appointment. Driving along the parkway a bald eagle flew in front of me! Eagles draw me to think of God’s awesome and majestic power, glory, protection and authority over heaven and earth. God laid on my heart it was time to share a devotional. Before I got home I let Satan overwhelm me. The verse was there, the words were not. That same afternoon, I took Barbara (mother in law) out for a ride to enjoy the beautiful flowers and trees that are in bloom. Driving down the road; there they were two beautiful eagles soaring in plain view. A reminder of the devotion I failed to write. Once again Satan intercepted. I tried again, but no words only distractions. I gave up.

This morning (4/29), as I read the May vision I had another reminder I didn’t finish the mission God laid on my heart. You see my friends the scripture verse Pastor Bud referenced Isaiah 40:31 was the exact scripture verse I had first chosen to use as my devotional.

I’m thankful God didn’t stop with the eagles to remind me of what I needed to do. Instead he reminded me with his word. Didn’t he do the same for the disciples by promising that the Holy Spirit would help them remember what he had been teaching?

Each of us are dealing with a different scenario. Health issues, financial difficulties, loneliness, pain, fear, disappointments, homeschooling children, while trying to do your job from home, worry. The list can go on. Satan knows when we are weak and creates spiritual warfare. Live in the peace of God, let him guard your heart and mind.

May I challenge all of my brothers and sisters in Christ to send in a devotion, a poem, or something God had reminded you about. I miss seeing you all, I miss worshiping together, I miss the fellowship, I miss teaching my Sunday School Kids, I miss serving God with you. But, going to try hard not to miss God’s reminders. We can all use a little encouragement.

Father, I thank you for those reminders. I thank you for our Pastor, continue to anoint him with your word. I thank you for the deacons of our church, give them all your wisdom and guidance in decisions that have to be made. I thank you for all my brother’s and sister’s in Christ, help us all to support and encourage one another, help us all to remain in your peace. Amen

Peace be with you,
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