

Daily Devotion For July 22, 2021

“Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. ²Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.” Psalm 62:1-2

Yesterday I received an email from Ellie Hattori sharing with me that her brother Wardon has taken a turn for the worse and that she and Rick will be heading up to Folsom where he is in the hospital.

Ellie had shared her concern for her brother last year during the Shelter in Place but yesterday she gave me permission to share this with the congregation and to ask for prayer. For months, Wardon has been on life support systems.

Receiving bad or unexpected news can be very unsettling. Suddenly all sense of normalcy goes out the window and plans are put on hold. Often times we are faced with managing our lives one day at a time.

When we go through times of uncertainty, we can feel disoriented and confused. So why does King David write in Psalm 62:1-2 that “I will never be shaken?” Does that mean he never felt bewildered by life’s circumstances?

We know from scripture that David faced times of trial when he was pursued by King Saul, when he was rebuked by Nathan over his adultery with Bathsheba and murder of Uriah the Hittite. What made David a man after God’s own heart was that he didn’t cover up his feelings about the tough times he was going through but he kept his trust in God.

Thought For Day: In Psalm 62 David gives us a beautiful invitation. “Trust in God at all times for He is our fortress.” We can not control what bad news we may receive but we always have the invitation to trust in God. As we do, God’s promise is that we will not be shaken.

Today’s Prayer Focus: Thank God that He is our rock and fortress. Pray for Ellie’s brother Wardon and family. Also remember the Montoya family at Johnnie and Emiko’s passing. Don’t forget to pray this week’s prayer fuel. Deo Volente.