



Having Your Heart Fixed on Jesus

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TODAY'S READING: Psalm 57

I normally use my English Standard Version of the Word for devotions, but I like the way the King James Version says:

"My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise."

David is expressing his gratefulness for God's deliverance from the angry hands of King Saul (1 Samuel 22-24) as he looks back. David's trust, shown in Psalm 57:7, is the way every Christian ought to trust. That practice should be *steadfastness*, a determination to go forward when we experience uncertainty and fear and we do not know what is ahead.

When being chased by King Saul, David's heart was fixed. He knew it was all under God's control, uncertain as his future was. He knew God would deliver him. David was steadfast in his trust and faith in the Lord.

We need to have the same steadfast faith as David when we face uncertain times. I remember when the doctor told me I had a tumor in my ear and head many years ago. I knew God was in control no matter what happened. We went ahead with the surgery and trusted God to have His will done. We could have doubted God or shook our fist and blamed our heavenly Father. We trusted God knowing He knew what was best.

If you lose your job and financial failure seems to be the end result, God is still good, and He will work it out to His glory and our benefit.

If a move seems inevitable and being in a new neighborhood and surroundings raises many unknown "what if's," God is still on His throne.

One's faith and trust should not waiver. Reliance on the leadership of a loving God will keep us strong in times of doubt and uncertainty.

Being secure and firm in our convictions and trusting God's promises will guide us through unknown tomorrows. Fear not! It will be alright. God will work it all out, as He has done many times in one's past.

When all looks bad and uncertain, our hearts should surrender to the circumstances. We will ride over the storm waves and arrive safely where and when God wants us to.

PRAYER: May we stand firm in the certainty that You are ultimately in control of our lives and our world as You strengthen our faith and trust in You during tough times.

TOMORROW'S READING: Psalm 63

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