

LOVE, ALWAYS LOVE

Have you had your crucifixion moment?

Been unjustly accused?

Taken on the burdens of multiple people?

Been seen through blinded eyes?

Missed your love for them?

Bypassed what you did on their behalf?

*Overlooked their better circumstances were
because of your path?*

Family?

Friends?

Colleagues?

*Heavy, shamed, exhausted, crippled, beaten up,
let down, lonely?*

Nowhere to go but by yourself to God?

Resigned to your fate?

Destiny awaits; forward bound.

*Life would fall into place, but you had no idea
how?*

Stepped forward in blind faith?

Taken it up or walked away?

Haunted you for years to come?

Dealt with anger, loss of hope,

bitterness, and bile, and yet,

worked to forgive, and love,

always love?

*Realized this is only a smidgeon of what our Lord
felt when he took on your sins; along with the sins
of the world?*

*Recognized this experience was a blessing from
our Lord; that you have had a small taste of what
He shouldered for the world?*

*Reconciled that when you serve, this may very
well be what you can expect?*

*Found examples in your life; witnessing others in
their crucifixion moments? Father and others
wrongly accused, sued, and endured court;
wondering if life and financial well-being was to
be ruined; only to have our Lord right the wrong
and release the just; shaming those who
perpetuated the lie.*

*Has it come to you in a flash, that this was part of
your Lord's plan? That only then could you even
slightly begin to understand what He did for you;
what He did for all creation and the world; and
how deeply that love goes as a result; that you
could not serve without this minor comparison,
so you would know a little of what He felt, and
how to love, always love.*

*You had to have your "Father forgive them, for
they know not what they do" moment, even
though you may still have a hard time forgiving
them yourself; to love, always love.*

*That is the proof to you of how much He loves,
because your human love is so hard to show when
you have been wounded. Even though He was
God, He felt the same human rejection, fear, "This
is not mine," and "Can't you see?" that you did.
And still, He loved; always loved.*

*So when you recall and feel all of the
wretchedness that unjustly attached to you
during your crucifixion moment, remember that
this is a blessing from your God, who is letting
you experience a tiny bit of His journey, as He
continues to mold and build you for service from
love, always love.*

*It doesn't mean that you want to repeat it. It
doesn't mean that you enjoyed it. It does mean
that you are being prepared with new eyes to see,
in order to do His work. It does mean that our
response is to be from love, always love, as His
was for us.*

*You would not be ready without your crucifixion
moment to love, always love.*

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