

LWML Texas District

August 15

Meditation

Time

What comes to mind when you think of the month of August? If you live in Texas you may think, “The hottest and longest month of the year.” If you are a teacher, you may think, “in-service, prep, the beginning of the school year.” If you are a parent you may think, “Back to school! Finally!” When you look at calendars aimed at young children some of the items you see images of beach and water scenes, sunshine, kids sitting in desks, maybe an image of a school bus or a school house.

In Genesis 1 we are told that God instituted the tracking of time. Genesis 1:14:15, “And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years,¹⁵ and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so.”

He gave us a way to track the days, the seasons, and the years. If we think back on the years of our lives, would you say you could tell someone exactly what happened on this date ten years ago? I know I would find that very difficult.

We have written calendars, social media reminders, digital and printed photos, news clippings, letters and the like. All of these things help us to remember what has happened in the past. Yet, we do not know what exact things had to be in place for our lives to come together. God has allowed everything.

When we consider Job, what do we find? A man who was blessed by God, whom Satan attempted to destroy his faith, only to have Job cling to God in the midst of many trials, then to be restored to health by God and receive earthly blessings from God.

We can look at our own lives and see God at work. We can see the blessings, the restoration of faith or health or relationship. We can see where God has not abandoned us through the difficult times.

1 Corinthians 1:9, “God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”

So regardless of your attitude towards August, we can find joy and peace knowing God has numbered each day.

2 Timothy 2:19-22 reminds us that God knows His children, cleanses us from iniquity, and sets us apart as holy to do good works for Him. Verse 22 is our charge: “So flee from youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.”

God has called us, cleansed us, purified us to be in fellowship with one another, so that together we may share the good news of Christ as Redeemer with God’s created world during the days He has given us.

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