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Here's Hope

A Crack in the Sidewalk

Hope is that little voice inside your heart that says... maybe tomorrow my prayers will be answered. Or maybe the voice says... God is bringing Himself greater glory by my failure or pain. Maybe this will be the day I am able to find my way. Maybe I helped someone today.

If you have said any or all of these, you've been involved in hope. Now, is it false hope? It's not at all, because it is very true you may have helped not one but many people... you just don't know it. And maybe God is answering your prayers and you don't see it. And, maybe your failure or your pain is working a work in you and through you that you'll never know. You see, the problem often is our limited vision. We just don't know. I sometimes think we'd be better off if we could just...see. But then - maybe not. We just have to trust God don't we.

In all these areas of frustration and confusion, our hope acts like water seeping through, finding a crack in the soil or the rock. Water will find its way through - so does hope. Like a root through a small crevice in the sidewalk, hope finds its way through. It pushes through, it seeks the light for its very life. Hope is like that. Hope pushes through almost any impossibility. It urgently finds the light it needs. And, once it finds the light, it grows, blossoms and blooms.

We have a saying, "don't get your hopes up." I say no, "do get your hopes up!" Believe against all impossibility. Have faith, even when it's not logical. Since when is life always logical? Hope often happens when you need it most, but when it seems the least reasonable. Turn your hope loose and get your hopes up. And like a helium balloon, it will pull you up with it.

God is Working, Believe It!
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