

Another's Devotional #2

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This devotional from Joni Eareckson Tada wonderfully speaks to a NEEDED mindset for today's darkening world – a Joyful, Peace-filled Perspective in God! Enjoy. Be edified.

It Is Well with My Soul [Joni's devotional for November 21]

Have you ever started out your day downhearted, a little blue ... for absolutely no reason? The psalmist asks a good question, "Why are you downcast, O my soul?"

Is it the weather? Is it what you ate last night for supper? Is it an annoyance that's been building, or just a vague, hazy dullness of soul that can't be explained? Often there's simply no reason for being downhearted.

That's why the psalmist quickly advises to put our hope in God and to do it by praising Him. Nothing lifts our spirits quicker or higher than to place our praise at the feet of the Lord Jesus. Why don't you do that right now by saying from your heart (or singing, if you know it) this familiar hymn of praise?

Though Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

It is well, it is well with my soul.
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And, Lord, hast the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll:
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
"Even so"—it is well with my soul.*

Lord of Hope, I place my trust in You and I praise You for making all things well with my soul. Please receive glory as I magnify and adore Your name, lifting my soul before You. With You, there is no reason to be downhearted.

* Spafford, Horatio O. The *Hymnal for Worship and Celebration*, Word Music, 1986, p. 493.

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AMEN to this precious prayer! A part of *throwing off* discouragement includes contemplating God's holy, generous FAITHFULNESS to Himself, to His Word, to His people in Christ Jesus and yes, even faithfulness to the world's inhabitants in general. May Jesus Christ be praised. AMEN (In praising & honoring our Lord Jesus, we praise & honor our holy Father God – John 5:22, 23, 24.)

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