A Time to Weep and a Time to Fight. Sunday, November 3rd, 2024 Audie Clairmont

Psalm 30:5-Amplified

For His anger is but for a moment, but His favor is for a lifetime *or* in His favor is life. Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

1. GOD IS WITH YOU AND HE IS STILL FAITHFUL.

1Corinthians 1:9-AMP

God is faithful (reliable, trustworthy, and therefore ever true to His promise, and He can be depended on); by Him you were called into companionship and participation with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1Samuel 30:4-6-AMP

- 4 Then David and the men with him lifted up their voices and wept until they had no more strength to weep.
- **5** David's two wives also had been taken captive, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess and Abigail, the widow of Nabal the Carmelite.
- 6 <u>David was greatly distressed</u>, for the men spoke of stoning him because the <u>souls of them all were bitterly grieved</u>, each man for his sons and daughters. <u>But</u> <u>David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.</u>
- IN TIMES OF DISTRESS, WE NEED TO HEAR FROM GOD.
- 6 <u>David was greatly distressed</u>, for the men spoke of stoning him because the <u>souls of them all were bitterly grieved</u>, each man for his sons and daughters.

Distress: a pressing in on someone, one who closes in with pressure. Being in a narrow tight place or situation. Grief, anguish, sorrow, torment.

3. LIKE DAVID, WE NEED TO ENCOURAGED OURSELVES IN THE LORD.

Hebrews 12:12-13

"Therefore, strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated, but rather be healed."

Passion – 12 So be made strong even in your weakness <u>by lifting up your tired</u> hands in prayer and worship. And strengthen your weak knees,

13 *for as you keep walking forward on God's paths* all your stumbling ways will be divinely healed!

1Samuel 30:8-15-TLB

8 David asked the Lord, "Shall I chase them? Will I catch them?" And the Lord told him, "Yes, go after them; you will recover everything that was taken from you!" (9-10) So David and his six hundred men set out after the Amalekites. When they reached Besor Brook, two hundred of the men were too exhausted to cross, but the other four hundred kept going.

- (11-12) Along the way they found an Egyptian youth in a field and brought him to David. He had not had anything to eat or drink for three days and nights, so they gave him part of a fig cake, two clusters of raisins, and some water, and his strength soon returned.
- **13** "Who are you and where do you come from?" David asked him. "I am an Egyptian—the servant of an Amalekite," he replied. "My master left me behind three days ago because I was sick.
- **14** We were on our way back from raiding the Cherethites in the Negeb, and had raided the south of Judah and the land of Caleb, and had burned Ziklag."
- **15** "Can you tell me where they went?" David asked. The young man replied, "If you swear by God's name that you will not kill me or give me back to my master, then I will guide you to them."

4. WHATEVER CRISIS YOU ARE FACING TODAY, GOD WILL DELIVER YOU.

2Timothy 4:18-AMP

[And indeed] the Lord will certainly deliver and draw me to Himself from every assault of evil. He will preserve and bring me safe unto His heavenly kingdom. To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen (so be it).

Psalm 18:18-19-Passion

18 When I was at my weakest, my enemies attacked---but the Lord held on to me. 19 His love broke open the way and he brought me into a beautiful broad place. He rescued me---because His delight is in me!

Psalm 46:1-3-Passion

1 God, you're such a safe and powerful place to find refuge! You're a proven help in time of trouble— more than enough and always available whenever I need you. 2 So we will never fear even if every structure of support were to crumble away. We will not fear even when the earthquakes and shakes, moving mountains and casting them into the sea.

3 For the raging roar of stormy winds and crashing waves *cannot erode our faith in you*.

God delights in you. He will not fail you.