

# Unfinished

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The Lord stopped me at this picture tonight so I wanted to share it with you all.



As I was looking at it, I heard Mandisa's song "Unfinished" that I will share with you all at the end of this devotion.

I looked at this bridge and I immediately thought, well, it's a good start! Then I heard several things behind it; some people would look at that and think it's been abandoned and will never reach its full potential. Others may look at it and wonder what happened that made the production stop at this point. Still others could look at it and think another good idea that ran out of steam.

I say over and over in my life, and say it often to my children "Don't despise small beginnings."

I'm also learning that although we may be at a certain point in our lives, we may feel stalled, we may feel like the brakes have been pumped a few times, we may feel like we keep taking 5 steps forward and a gazillion steps back (I know – that's dramatic) but there's always room to go forward when the timing is right. God's timing is always exact and planned and filled with purpose.

This bridge above could be leading to somewhere NO ONE has ever been or... it could be keeping something from coming from the other direction that's just not ready to come that way yet. Whatever the reason for the incompleteness, we don't need to think the worst, better yet we need to hope for the best. I will leave you with one more picture that peaked my interest as I was looking.



**Matthew 13:31-32 - He presented another parable to them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field; <sup>32</sup>and this is smaller than all *other* seeds, but when it is full grown, it is larger than the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that THE BIRDS OF THE <sup>33</sup>AIR come and NEST IN ITS BRANCHES.”**

One might at look at these and think BORING. While another may look at them and think “I’ve just struck gold!” Beauty is in the eye of the beholder right?

There is hidden potential in all of us, there are things ready to stand on their own within us and there are things that need the help of the One Who created us and His positioning of others in our lives in order for the better things yet to come out of us! Wherever we are – WE ARE NOT FINISHED and however we look right now – is not the final outcome. God is STILL doing great things – and He takes His time with His precious sons and daughters... and He’s faithful to continue to love us and remind us to the places that are yet to come in you and me. I’m hopeful, are you?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=drkqqCy8emM>

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