

## Finding Your Song in Your Sorrow

## Son-dial of Time

Sondial of Time

Take heed, keep on the alert. You do not know when the appointed time will come. Mark 13:33.

Your "life story" takes a lifetime! You've perhaps heard the story of the woman who approached the Carnegie Hall pianist and said, "I'd give my life to play like you." To which the pianist replied, "I did."

Beautiful things don't come easy "to those who wait." It comes to those who have the courage to start. My bumbling attempts at a song were messy and imperfect at the least, and sometimes still can be.

God lives outside of time, but works in time. This morning I was "camping" in Luke 13. Here I find a principal that was parables in five stories.

- A fig tree that is not producing after 3 years and is about to be chopped down. The owner says let's give it a year and try fertilizing it. Verses 6-9.
- The next story is a woman who has an illness and has been bent over for 18 years. She received an instant healing. Verses 11-13.
- Next is the minuscule mustard seed that, over decades, becomes a large tree. Verse 19.
- Anyone who has made bread can identify with the baker parable. Yeast rising in 3 pecks of flour takes time and observation. Verse 21.
- Finally Jesus closes with His time prophesy: I perform miracles today, tomorrow, and the third day I reach my goal. Verse 32.

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Maybe, like the fig tree, your roots need fertilizing for a year. Join a Bible Study. Feed on the fertilizer of the Word daily. Maybe like the woman, you've been bent over by life for 18 years. That's how long it took for me to "instantly" start Heavenly Hope and Healing. The baker's leaven began to do its work in a warm, dark, hidden place. The tree, well, I have a saying, "Apple Seed to Apple Tree" that takes time!

Jesus chose to rise the third day, not the first. So many reasons, most of which remain a mystery. Look to God's Sondial for your song. A life song takes a lifetime. Enjoy the mystery.

Discovery Dialog with your Composer:

Is there anything regarding God's timing that you are anxious about today? What does Ecclesiastes 3 teach us about time?

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## Prayer:

Lord today I look to you for your appointed time to fulfill my desires.