

New Places in Him

No matter how hard I tried to push it away, it kept coming back. "You have to finish this phase of the journey even though you have not been this way before."

Friends, - you have to finish to get the fullness of what He desires to give you. You need to hold on at all costs if you want to see it. Yes, everything pretty much looks completely foreign and feels totally unfamiliar. In many ways, the more you press through the more unfamiliar things will look because you haven't been this way before.

"Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before..." (Joshua 3:4)

Unfamiliar is good, though you don't like it. With the unfamiliar you can only see a small portion of what's ahead of you. We just traveled to Florida by car at spring break time (yea, I know....I know....). All I could see was bumper to bumper cars on the highway. I didn't see the beautiful aqua marine waters or the incredible white beaches. All I saw was traffic in every direction. Yet, if we kept driving- it was all there, waiting for us to enjoy the fullness of it.

Right now, what you see isn't making a whole lot of sense and won't make sense until you get close to the actual place He is wanting to take you. Please tell me you can relate?

Rachael said this in her post yesterday:

Have hope my friends, it may get stuffy in the barn, we may long for a breeze or a ray of sunshine or maybe even a little rain – but know that in our time of being stored away, God is working on our behalf. His timing is PERFECT. Don't think for a minute that His presence is not fully surrounding you.

This is why so many of you are under such incredible battles. This is a time when random events seem to have happened suddenly or are happening suddenly. Know this, as they happen, they are actually Him moving things in your life into place.

I am hearing, "You are in a place you have never been before- because you are going places you have never gone before. Along the way you are meeting Him in ways you have not met Him before."

This is changing you. This is rebuilding areas that need to be rebuilt. Yes, it isn't pleasant to be in unfamiliar places with challenges surrounding you, but it is necessary. I really sense that He will show you what some things mean this week. Not all things, but something important that's going to help you.

He is going to give it to you in pieces. I saw a large puzzle with the pieces laying around it. It looked like a big mess. However, when each piece is put where it belongs, WOW... Think about it.

You are headed places in Him you've not been before. You have to walk this out because you haven't been here before. He orders the steps of the righteous (Psalm 37:23). He is changing you so you can meet Him in ways you have not experienced before. He is going to keep changing you too...

He is going to change your perspective
He is going to change how you think about things
He is going to change how you react to things
He is going to change how you not only see Him, but experience Him.

Heavenly Father, thank You for the promise of Your Word that as I come near to You, You will come near to me. Empower me by Your Spirit to earnestly seek You. In the situations that I face may I know Your mind and be wise in all I do. Keep me from error. I ask that I might have Your mind in every situation that I encounter, and may I never turn away from Your truth. Strengthen my faith, Father, for Your Word says that if I do not stand firm in my faith I will not stand at all. Help me persevere for the sake of Your name and the formation of Your character within me. Increase my faith – destroy all doubt and unbelief in my heart and mind. In Jesus Name.

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