

Living Waters Through Me

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Hello! This is Dorothy -

There is a lovely verse in **Isaiah 58:11**. In fact, I have this all beautifully embroidered in a little heart-shaped cushion that is in my bedroom, and I love it. **And the Lord shall guide thee continually . . . and thou shalt be . . . like a spring of water . . .** Do you realize what it is like to be all the time, every second of the day, guided by the Lord? “But,” you say, “I do not feel the Lord is that close.” You know, sometimes it takes the firm hand of a mother upon a little child, as you have gone down the road with your little one. You see a danger and, before you know it, you are pulling on them and grasping them tightly, because you are protecting them. They do not particularly like it, because they want to go their own way. They say, “It is hurting! What are you doing? Why are you pulling me?” But you are perhaps saving them from some terrible danger, if they had gone dawdling along at their own pace.

You see, the Lord guides us continually. He does it so beautifully. While He is doing so, deep within our heart where our greatest need is in our very being, He sees there is a drought. He sees our bones need to be made fat. In other words, there is the health in the marrow of the bone, in the inside of the bone. How is that drought and need of a

dry bone dealt with? It is being dealt with all the time by the watering of His Holy Spirit, as He takes the Word and He ministers the Word, and He reminds us of the Word. Therefore, let our mind be on the Lord. Let our mind be on the Word as we go to sleep. Let our waking thoughts simply be that we dwell on the Lord as we awaken, as we exalt Him, and as we praise and worship Him, instead of thinking, “I have to do this, this, and this.” As you are coming around into consciousness, center your thoughts on the Lord. Grab a Word of God and think upon that Word. Think upon it. Say, *Lord, I praise You. I am available for You. It is You.* You will find it is like a spring of water that just keeps watering you and watering you and that water, as that very verse says . . . **will not fail.**

It is amazing to me how this cleansing and the empowering of this life that goes forth will automatically effect other people. You can never help another in the area where you have not really been helped yourself. People come with their great ideas of the a-b-c’s of what has to be done, and totally miss what the Spirit of the Lord would minister to the ones around them, unless they can identify with the heartbreak and the distress and the self life and all the problems that arise in the little family or in the situation at the workplace. The Lord uses all these things in your life that there might be the water flowing out to others in love. You know, God, who dwells in Heaven, and Christ exercising on His holy seat His divine prerogative, arranges that with

every situation that is happening in your life, He is bringing it together for His glory. He is also doing a work in His authority to let that very power be shone forth in ways that amaze people. Why would it be that such a person would be used of God?

I am reminded that years ago, there was an earthquake in Greece and much international help was given to take care of properties and take care of people. Everything seemed to be so wonderful, but, as usual, there was the corruption of man and for those people, who were few in number who loved the Lord Jesus, no help was given! There was a little family, who had a very, very simple little field. On this field, they could just grow the necessary food and they had a little old donkey. One day, there was an earthquake. Between the earthquake and the donkey, something happened and this young man suffered a severe spinal injury. He was in a state that he had to be in bed. When everybody else received some shelter, there was no shelter for him, but from another city, Christians, who hadn't anything, shared what they had with such a poor situation. You see, God could have spoken to some wealthy Christian somewhere in the world, but God always takes that which is in our hand, from those who haven't much, to give to another. That is the natural behavior of the indwelling Spirit: that we give, we share, and what we have belongs to another as we seek to help them. This little family built something that was such a small little place. They laid this fellow in this place, just beside a public little

bit of a road. Every day, he shouted forth praises to the Lord in a language which was not too clear, because he was so speech impeded, but, do you know, that man was used in that community? He was an irritant to those who did not want Christ, but he was a drawing waterfall to those who did!

What about your circumstances? Will you allow the worst circumstances to count for Christ? Will you start praising Him to other people and using His Word? That is what it means - that these rivers to flow forth through you. As they do so, they flow right from the throne of God through your available life and He will get the honor and glory.

In Jesus' Name. Amen.