

Is Your Soul Weary?

When times are good it's easy to forget that as a human you are an eternal soul with a temporary body. Yet often we obsess over our physical health and ignore the health of our souls. One of the opportunities difficult times can prompt is to take an inventory of our souls.

In Psalm 119:28, King David reflects on the state of his soul. He boldly, transparently reveals the results: "My soul melteth for heaviness." Perhaps your soul, too, is weary from anxiety, fear or frustration. David then teaches us the major step we must take to care for our souls, "Strengthen thou me according unto thy word." Here are three Scriptures the Lord has used to strengthen my soul recently:

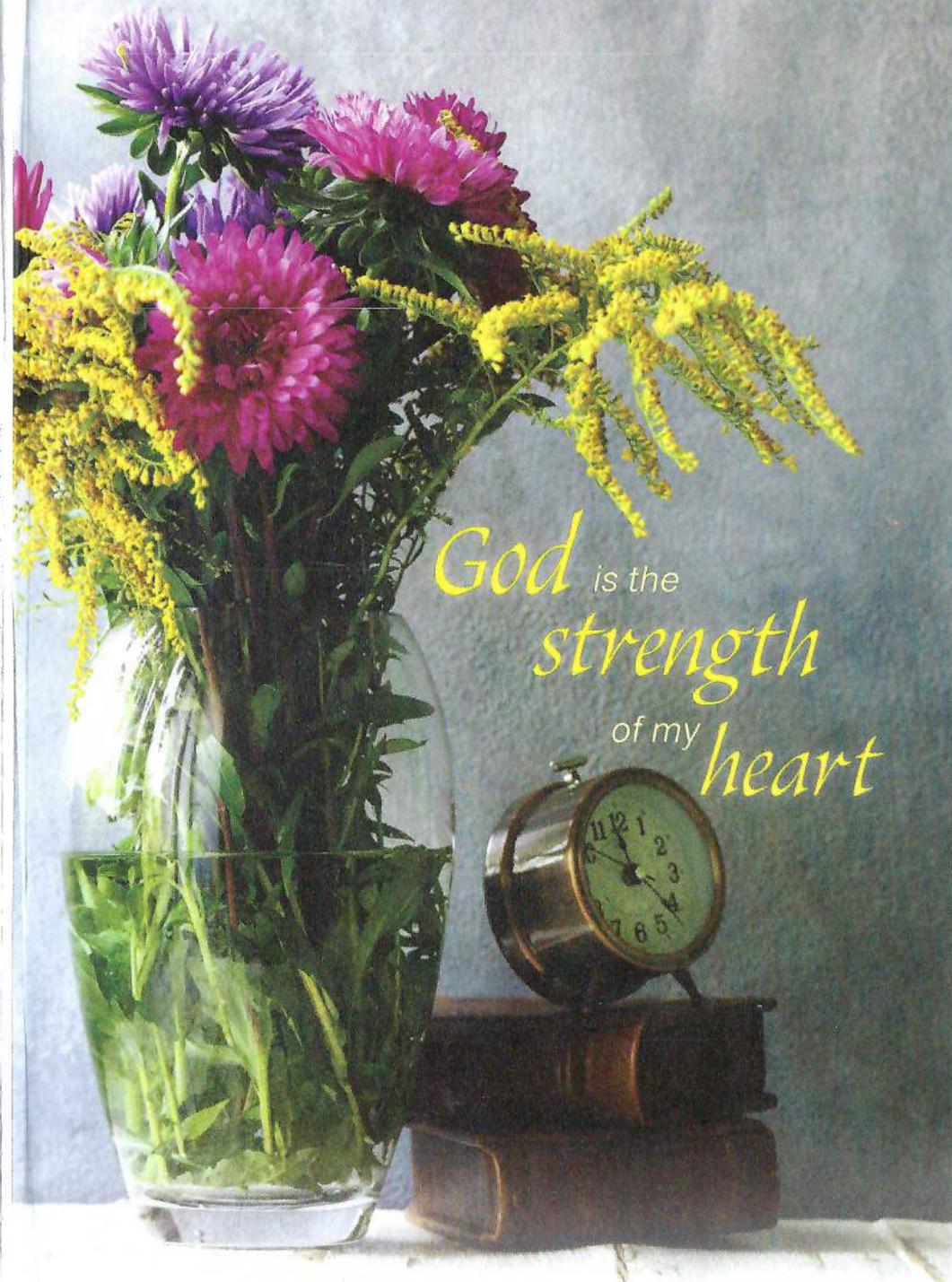
"I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart" (Psalm 27:13-14). I love the audacious confidence and firm foundation for building our lives that these verses proclaim. As a follower of Jesus, not only will I see the goodness of the Lord in my eternal home but, I am confident, in the land of the living as well.

"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:5-6). These verses provide powerful wisdom for navigating difficult times. We must trust God and courageously follow the wisdom the Holy Spirit grants his followers. Difficult times are not the time to take shortcuts.

"In him (Jesus) was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not" (John 1:4-5). John lived through horrific circumstances and yet, at the end of his life when he wrote his memoirs, he described Jesus as the light of all mankind.

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God is the
strength
of my
heart

Covenant Church

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Call to Worship

Sounds of Hope

Invocation

Pastor Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn # 348 My Savior's Love

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Worship in Song

Hymn # 17 Our Great Savior

Hymn #18 Let's Just Praise the Lord

Offertory Prayer

Craig Alexander

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sermon:

Pastor Don Mauldin

Scripture:

Hymn of Benediction

Hymn #533 There is a Savior

Shine, Shine, Shine!

Covenant Ministries

Our ministry for March is the St. Francis House. Their mission is empowering families with children to achieve permanent and stable self-sufficiency by providing case management; nutritious meals; and educational, health and career resources; in a safe and secure environment.

Covenant News

YAH Meeting March 14th at Covenant Church

Larry Noegel will be doing a presentation about Hershel Streit.

Sentence Sermons

PATIENCE is the ability to let your light shine after your fuse is blown.

How can a person be happy in heaven who finds it miserable to be in God's house on earth?

Worry pulls tomorrow's cloud over today's sunshine.

NO GOD, NO PEACE (Isaiah 57:21). KNOW GOD, KNOW PEACE (John 14:27).

Keep on growing and keep on glowing! (Shine, Shine, Shine)