

Dear soul,
We're not home yet...
Although, you may not understand the season of affliction
rest assured that the Lord will be with you,
and when He hath tried you, you shall come forth as gold.

"Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver;
I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction."

~ Isaiah 48:10

The Scripture says,
"For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish,
but have everlasting life."
~ John 3:16

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,
and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath
raised him from the dead,
thou shalt be saved."
~ Romans 10:9

Don't fall asleep without Jesus
until you are assured of a place in heaven.

Tonight, if you would like to receive the gift of eternal life
first you must believe in the Lord.
You have to ask for your sins to be forgiven
and put your trust in the Lord.
To be a believer in the Lord, ask for eternal life.
There's only one way to heaven and that's
through the Lord Jesus.
That's God's wonderful plan of salvation.

You can begin a personal relationship with Him
by praying from your heart a prayer such as the following:

"Oh God, I am a sinner.
I am sorry for my sins.
I want to turn from my sin.
I receive Jesus Christ as my Savior;
I confess Him as my Lord.
From now on I want to follow Him.
In Jesus' name, Amen."

We are excited about your decision to accept the Lord Jesus
as your Savior, and would like to encourage you to find a local
church that you could be a part of to help you grow in your new
walk with Him. Also, we encourage you to develop a personal
relationship with the Lord by reading the Scriptures and
praying to Him often. Talk to Him as you would talk
to a dearest friend. He desires that closeness
and intimacy with you!

For resources to help you in your walk with the Lord
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Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous,

but grievous...

*For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth,
and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth."*

~ Hebrews 12:11a, 12:6

Oh, the furnace of suffering! How it hurts and brings us pain!

It is there that the Lord trains us for battle.

It is there that we learn to pray.

*It is there that God gets alone with us
and reveals to us who we really are.*

*It is there where He prunes away our comforts
and burns away the sin in our lives.*

*It is there, in the furnace, that we drench our pillow with tears
when in agony of soul we cry out to Him,*

*"Oh Lord, if it be possible, remove this cup from me:
nevertheless not my will but thine be done."*

It is there that He uses our failures to

prepare us for His work.

*It is there, in the furnace, when we have nothing to offer,
when we have no song in the night.*

It is there that we feel like our life is over

when every thing we enjoy is being taken away from us.

*It is then that we begin to realize
that we are under the wings of the Lord.*

He will take care of us.

*It is there that we often fail to recognize
the hidden work of God in our most barren times.*

*It is there, in the furnace, that no tear is wasted
but fulfills His purposes in our lives.*

*It is there that He weaves the black thread
into the tapestry of our life.*

*It is there where He reveals that all things work together
for good to those who love Him.*

*It is there that we get real with God, when
all else is said and done.*

"Though He slay me, yet will I trust in him."

*It is when we fall out of love with this life,
and live in the light of eternity to come.*

*It is there that He reveals the depths of love
that He has for us,*

*" For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time
are not worthy to be compared with the glory
which shall be revealed in us."*

~ Romans 8:18

It is there, in the furnace, that we realize

*" For our light affliction, which is but for a moment,
worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal
weight of glory."*

~ 2 Corinthians 4:17

*It is there that we fall in love with Jesus
and appreciate the depth of our eternal home,
knowing that the sufferings of our past won't cause us pain,
but would rather enhance His glory.*

*It is when we come out of the furnace that
spring begins to blossom.*

*After He reduces us to tears we offer liquidified prayers
that touch the heart of God.*

*It is there that we shed tears of intercession
that will not be forgotten by God.*

*"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed,
shall doubtless come again with rejoicing,
bringing his sheaves with him."*

~ Psalm 126:6

*"...but we glory in tribulations also:
knowing that tribulation worketh patience;
and patience, experience;
and experience, hope."*

~ Romans 5:3-4