



~ He is Faithful ~

"I will go before you and make the crooked places straight; I will break in pieces the gates of bronze and cut the bars of iron. I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that I, the LORD, who call you by your name, am the God of Israel." - Isaiah 45:2-3

I knew when we arrived at the airport terminal that I should have listened to my uncle's advice to arrive at least 3 hours early for my son's flight. As I looked at the lines of travelers almost four deep stretching from one end of the terminal to the other I knew that it would take a miracle for my son to make his flight having only an hour and a half to make it thru these masses of people. He was flying alone and I needed to take him to the gate. This was going to be interesting.

As we moved into the back of the enormously long line, I began to dialog with God. I started off by confessing my stubbornness at not taking my uncle's advice in order to get that extra hour of sleep instead. Next, I laid the circumstance at God's feet asking for mercy to make that flight but leaving it in His hands to do as He willed. 50 minutes later, I began wondering just what God would do.

One thing I have always learned is that God is never late, rarely early, and always on time. I knew that if God was going to do something, it would have to be soon. As we continued to move thru the lines that would eventually lead up to the counter, an airline personnel began her walk thru the lines to make sure luggage tags were in place.

When she got to me, she saw that my bag did not need to be checked which caused her to question why I was in that line in the first place. I told her that my son was flying but that I needed to accompany him to the gate and was in this line in order to get a gate pass to do so. Immediately, she proceeded to walk us down to the opposite end of the terminal, pass literally hundreds of people and various rope lines that divided them until we stopped in front of an open spot before the ticket counter.

As the ticket agent began to process my son's flight information, I leaned towards my son and said, "Whatever you do, don't question anything right now. God is on the move and we just need to keep up. You're going to make that flight somehow." My son's look was a bit incredulous as he turned his head and watched the security line moving near us with almost the same amount of people there as was in the ticket counter area. We weren't thru this yet.

After we got our tickets and moved into the security line wondering how God would get us thru this, the guard at the very front of the security check saw my son and my gate pass and without asking any questions motioned us into the express line that literally put us right up in front once again pass the hundreds of others still making their way slowly thru the maze of rope lines. We ended up making it to his gate 10 minutes before the gate closed. Had we been delayed any longer, my son would not have made his flight.

This experience caused me to reflect on the beauty of God's love and watch care. Many times I doubt Him in some little thing He's trying to lead me in. Sometimes, I choose against His voice to do what I feel better about instead. Ever so slowly, self creeps up and begins to take control. Yet God's love for me is still there. His faithfulness is sure even when mine is not. Its times like these that His love begins its redemptive work on my heart as I realize how much He is faithful and how much I'm not. It also shows me that my God is big and can handle the little things that I face daily in my life. Making sure my son makes a flight in time by "parting the waters" is all in a day's work for God. And He allows these moments to wake me up and see His big heart of love pouring out just for me. I "wake up" to see that I serve **the** God of the universe and He has called me and will never let me go. How can I not fall on my knees in submission and thanksgiving to a God like that? His love is deeper than my own faithlessness and big enough to remind me who HE is so that He can bring my heart back to Him when it veers off course.

Today, God wants to move in your life so that you can see just how faithful His love is to you. He wants you to know that HE is God and He is the one who has called you. "He who called you is faithful who also will do it." - 1 Thess. 5:24

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