

Donna's Devotional

Great is Thy Faithfulness

It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is Thy faithfulness
—Lamentations 3:22-23

This morning I awoke at 4:20 a.m. and I was struck by the idea that God's mercies for today were going to be new. I thought if God were to base his treatment of me today on what I deserved, I would be consumed. Instead, I knew that today God would bestow upon me His mercy and His compassion. God forgives and He understands my burdens and He does something about them. I know this because He is faithful. He is faithful every day.

"Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God. . ." Deuteronomy 7:9 goes on to say that He keeps His promises and shows His mercy to them that love Him and keep His commandments. First Kings 8:56 assures the reader that *" . . . according to all that He promised: there hath not failed one word of all His good promise."*

I am absolutely sure that God was faithful in the Old and New Testaments and He will continue to be faithful to me each day of my life. His mercies are new every morning and His faithfulness is great.

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings are mine and ten thousand besides.*

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*
—Thomas O. Chisholm