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Psalm 119:81 – 83, 88

“My soul faints for Your salvation, but I hope in Your Word. My eyes fail for Your Word, saying, “When will You comfort me? For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke; yet I do not forget Your statutes... Revive me after Your loving kindness; so shall I keep the testimony of Your mouth.” Psalm 119:81 – 83, 88

That which can be seen is temporary. The soul of man is immersed in fleeting matters. What is seen and heard, what is touched and felt – all is subject to change. Your soul isn't prepared apart from the inner strengthening of God's Word to continue day after day without some sort of hope and encouragement. Emotions are deceptive. They can fool the most discerning of people; therefore we must hold to a standard that is immovable and unshakable! “Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away.” (Matthew 24:35). God's Word has been forever settled and will accomplish all that He intends for it. (Psalm 119:89; Isaiah 55:11).

Where then is the comfort of God? Is it not real; ought it not to be a tangible presence? Yes, of course! His Presence is real; His comfort genuine; but we must remember that all progress in the believer's life must primarily be by faith. We are initially “strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man to the end that Christ might dwell in our hearts by faith.” (Ephesians 3:16-17) It is from this inner strengthening by the Holy Spirit and the Word of God that our real strength flows from the unseen and eternal realm into the seen and felt realm. First the unseen to the seen – faith first, then to the reality of the natural. As you stay focused upon the Word of God, the dryness and the weariness will fade as the anointing of God pours over your life – from the inside out!

“Lord, I look to the unseen, disregarding what my senses tell me whenever the two are in conflict. I receive the fresh oil and anointing of the Spirit to quench my dryness and fainting of soul. Thank You Lord.”

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