

# HOWE THINGS ARE...

Hello! How are you? Here are some random thoughts (not pointless, just random):

**Look! God is my savior. I am confident and unafraid because the LORD is my strength and my song. He is my savior.** Isaiah 12:2

Anything worth doing is worth doing poorly. – Ken Pike

*Why would someone risk his safety, destroy his schedule, and become dirty and bloody to help a needy person of another race and social class? And why would Jesus tell us, "Go and do likewise"? – Tim Keller*

My sister was telling me how there was a message at their church about contentment and how the definition of being content is wanting what you have. Well, how fortunate. I can't tell you how much I want what I have.

I'm pretty sure this is new --- not that I've lived my life being chronically dissatisfied, but I don't know how much wanting what I have resonated with me previously. It does now. As long as I have you {God}, I don't need anyone else in heaven or on earth.

Psalm 73:25

***The wise see danger ahead and avoid it, but fools keep going and get into trouble.*** Proverbs 22:3

*Is my main problem. I bought new running shoes. And the first time I wore them I got a blister on my heel. The thing is, a mile into my run, I knew the shoe was rubbing my heel a little bit. Did I stop? No, I kept going because I was going fast (for me). I finished in my best time ever. I was also bleeding and couldn't run for two weeks. Stopping when I first noticed the problem would've been the wise choice. I do the same thing in other circumstances. It occurs to me to stop, but I don't, I keep going for inexplicable reasons... and get into trouble...*

The other day at work, a colleague was frustrated because he asked someone to do something for him and it didn't happen. I offered to give him access (control) so he could do it himself. He said he didn't want access to any more things. In fact he'd like to give back some access he has now. I get that. My need to control (have access to everything): it's just gone. Not only do I not want any more control, I'd happily give up some I have now. I've always wanted to control everything and then on a random Wednesday, I'm cured...

**Some Actual Information (as opposed to my random thoughts plus more than one person asked):**

- ▶ **Where am I going next?** I just got home. Nowhere for the rest of this year as far as I know.
- ▶ **What am I doing?** Same work I was doing (email is the biggest/most recognizable thing). I am going to be managing/working with a different group of people --- feel free to pray for that transition --- for me and for them. I just moved around the corner from where I was and it's like a whole new world.

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