

Pastor's Weekly Devotional- December 3, 2015

“Pain, Irritation, A Pearl!”

Does anyone care? Sounds familiar? When the answer seems bleak, it is important to realize that a shipwrecked soul is not at the heart of God's plan for any of His children. When trials seem unending and you are tossed on the jagged rocks of despair, if only you can remember: “This too shall pass” because “you are precious and honored in God's sight...He loves you!” (Isaiah 43:4)

One of life's most beautiful and costly wonders is born out of pain and irritation — THE PEARL. When a piece of sand slips through the opening of the oyster's shell, it immediately begins to rub against the soft tissue to produce a hard substance. That hard substance eventually develops into one of the world's exquisite gems — A PEARL! ***In fact, the greater the irritation, the more valuable the pearl.***

Perhaps a “grain of sand” in the form of an excruciating trial is causing you irritation right now. Know that God has not abandoned you. He has a purpose for allowing the trials of life to invade your soul. Be aware that in the midst of your “current storm,” you are safe. God is there with you. Everything will be OK!

You are precious and loved by God; that's why Jesus came into this world, your world—to let you know how much God cares for you!

Have a blessed week. See you in church Sunday.

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