



Monday Matters

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Never the Same Again

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*In 1938...I was suffering from splitting headaches; each sound hurt me like a blow...I discovered the poem...called "Love" (by George Herbert) which I learnt by heart. Often, as the culminating point of a violent headache, I made myself say it over, concentrating all my attention upon it and clinging with all my soul to the tenderness it enshrines. I used to think I was merely reciting it as a beautiful poem, but without my knowing it the recitation had the virtue of a prayer. It was during one of these recitations that **Christ himself came down and took possession of me.** In my arguments about the insolubility of the problem of God I had never forseen the possibility of that, of a real contact, person to person, here below, between a human being and God. -Simone Weil, *Waiting for God**

There comes that time in man's life when he senses there is more to him. There is something bigger and more powerful than anything he can produce or be on his own. He comes face-to-face with this realization and wonders...could it be God? If man is able to humble himself and accept God into his life, "Christ will come down and take possession of him"...he will become transformed into the man Christ intended him to be. It is a life-changing experience...man is not the same ever again.

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A Powerful Message in Song



I Will Never Be the Same Again
sung by Rodrigo Rodriguez

Quote of the Week

"One act of surrender, one change of heart, one leap of faith, can change your life forever."
~Robert Holden~

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There is a transformation..."old things pass away and all things become new". What will life be like now, will this be hard, will I be able to do this, what will I become, what about my past...there is a road map, there is a divine plan.

Accept progress, reject the need for perfection.

Let "Jesus Christ take hold of you" and move forward.

Philippians 3:12

Depend each day for Christ's great ability to give you victory over your old self.

Accept the future, reject negative reminders of the past.

"...forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead". Philippians 3:13-14

We can't change our past, but we can learn from our past and trust that Christ Jesus is making us new every day for his glory.

Accept God's spirit, reject relying on yourself for what you can't do for yourself.

"Live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature." Galatians 5:16-18

Rely on the Spirit that lives in you. Just "doing it on your own" rarely lasts very long.

Accept hope, reject defeat.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him..." Romans 15:13

Each day is a challenge, some days more than others. The hope that Christ has birthed in your heart is greater than all things and circumstances here on earth. Have joy and be filled with peace...**let God take possession of you!**

Love by George Herbert (1593 - 1632)

LOVE bade me welcome; yet my soul drew back,
Guilty of dust and sin.

But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack
From my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning
If I lack'd anything.

'A guest,' I answer'd, 'worthy to be here:'
Love said, 'You shall be he.'

'I, the unkind, ungrateful? Ah, my dear,
I cannot look on Thee.'

Love took my hand and smiling did reply,
'Who made the eyes but I?'

'Truth, Lord; but I have marr'd them: let my shame
Go where it doth deserve.'

'And know you not,' says Love, 'Who bore the blame?'
'My dear, then I will serve.'

'You must sit down,' says Love, 'and taste my meat.'
So I did sit and eat.

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