

would not dare to murmur against God. But this way of receiving things would make it impossible ever to murmur. If our Father permits a trial to come, it must be because that trial is the very best thing that could happen to us, and we must accept it with thanks from His hand. The trial itself may be hard to flesh and blood, and I do not mean that we can like or enjoy the suffering of it. But we can and must love the will of God *in* the trial, for His will is always sweet whether it be in joy or in sorrow.

In short, this way of seeing our Father in everything makes life one long thanksgiving, and gives a rest of heart, and more than that, a joy that is unspeakable. Some one says, "God's will on earth is always joy, always tranquility." And since He must have His own way concerning His children into what wonderful green pastures of rest, and beside what blessedly still waters of refreshment is the soul led that learns this!

He who sides with the Lord cannot fail to win in every encounter! and whether the result shall be joy or sorrow, failure or success, death or life, we may, under all circumstances, join in the Apostle's shout of victory, "Thanks be unto God which always causeth us to triumph in Christ!"

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"If my soul has no home, my life as a Christian, however active, will not be happy. If my soul has a home in heaven to turn to, and *really now in spirit enjoy*, I shall not be restless and unhappy."