

states he hasn't attained nor is perfect-but continues to reach forth. In our Christian walk we must always press on. Patience with doing or not being able to do house cleaning, meals, opening bottles.

One lady with arthritis told me of her frustration as we couldn't open a bottle of pills she used a hammer to open it. I've never come to using a hammer but many a day I've either waited for someone to help open something or tell myself I didn't want that item anyway. Living with a disability can be very discouraging. But I'm reminded to not be discouraging. Isaiah 41:10 "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." 2 Corinthians 4:14 "Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you." At others who have greater trials.

Read Poem: "Hidden Blessings"

III. NOT HAVING MY OWN WAY:

We (ladies) get used to having our own way in many in many areas. The way we cook, clean, do laundry. Many times I told my children that exact way I want things and its good to teach your children how to do thing well. There come a time when you say make your bed and we shouldn't go and make it over unless they really did a bed job and need to do it over. I had to learn to be happy with the way others do things – and not complain. Don't be impatient with others learn to wait. Isaiah 40:31 "But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint."

IV. CONCERN FOR OTHERS:

Christ had compassion on the sick as he healed many. He also had compassion on the souls of men. Matthew 9:36 "But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." 2 Corinthians 1:4 "Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God." 1 Peter 3:8 "Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous."

V. REJOICE:

Philippians 4:4 "Rejoice in the Lord always....." Paul rejoiced in prison after he was beaten. To be suffering for the cause of Christ is much greater but we with our pains should also learn to not grumble and complain.#216 – When we see Christ – it will be worth it all. Today give a stranger one of your smiles, it will maybe the only sunshine he sees all day.