

Wednesday, September 21, 2005 - Benefits

I was in church last night and I gave a testimony about my mother and how the Lord healed her of diabetes. I thought about all of the many times He had touched her body. She is deceased now (her work was done and God called her home....isn't that what we're striving for?)....but anyway, as I was talking about it, the adversary tried to make me not talk about it....he said, "oh, she's dead now, so it doesn't matter...if she was still living then you could tell it...but people will think that if God is all that then she should still be alive). Now I pray you know me well enough by now to know that I didn't listen but continued to speak of God's healing power.

But what came to my mind this morning was this scripture...Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and forget not all his benefits (Psalms 29:11) and I have to say that it made me smile and grow even more determined to recount the many blessings He's given to me over the years. We are supposed to remember the times God came by and brought healing, deliverance, hope, salvation, etc....these testimonies strengthen us as well as those that hear them that what God did for one He can (and does) do for us all. I know God has brought you a mighty long way....I know He's done some things that I like to call "Shake Your Head" Blessings....I've heard of a couple in the past few days that gently remind me that NO-THING is too hard for God to do.

So, don't let this day go by without stopping for a moment and actually telling someone about a past blessing/deliverance/healing/financial need being met/encouraging move of God that He performed for you.....make a verbal proclamation by telling it that you will never forget any of the benefits God has given you. I don't care if it happened 20 years ago or it just happened this morning...we all need to bless the Lord for all of His benefits. Some of His benefits show up in the form of answered prayers....and that I will never forget and will never be ashamed to stand up and tell it (or sit down and email it.....!!!)

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