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Devotional  
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## EASTER

Dear Friends

Easter has just past. If you were like me, the seriousness of what Jesus did struck me full force once again. And that he did it for me, for you! The question though is, "How will this impact my life and for how long?

Will it be like looking at beautiful scenery only to forget about it the moment I turn away? I read a great line – It is possible to be in a worship service but not have the worship service in me. Is it possible to participate in an Easter celebration but not have the Easter celebration in me?

BEV: My Father, I don't want to live the same as I did last week. I want to be more ... I hardly have the words ... more convinced, more actively living out what I am convinced of – that Jesus lived, died, and rose again to free me from the penalty and power of sin, and to give me the privilege of living in your presence today and forever. What will it take for me to have the Easter celebration in me?

ANSWER: Remember your Word for 2010 – perspective? You do have the Easter celebration in you through my Holy Spirit. But what you could do better is to allow it – to allow what Jesus has done for you – to be the grid through which you see life. I'm not talking about only certain aspects of life but all of life – the easy and the hard, the understandable and the confusing, the joyful and the hurtful.

BEV: **Romans 12:2** comes to mind – *Don't copy the behaviour and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person but changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know what God's will for you is, which is good, and perfect, and pleasing.*

ANSWER: Always ask yourself this question: How should I view this situation in light of what Jesus did by dying and rising again? If you ask me, I will tell you, I will give you the right perspective to have.

BEV: So the migraine I had through the night – how does what Jesus did help me have the right perspective on that?

ANSWER: You could not have talked with me, through the night, like you did if Jesus hadn't paid for your sins and given you right standing with me (Romans 8:30). Did I not comfort and strengthen you as you leaned on me? I wanted you to understand that I can be trusted, that you can lean on my through any and all situations. My shoulders do not get tired. I always have time for you.

BEV: So I can trust you even though the health of many in my extended family is deteriorating?

ANSWER: You can trust me!! If I have the power to forgive sins, I have the power to keep you through trials.

BEV: I want to be kept by you, by your love. Thank you.

Dear Friends, Ask God to let Easter live in you, not just for one week of the year but in every situation of life. Then, at the end of your days on earth, you will have no regrets. You will be able to say with Paul, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

*Blessings from Bev*



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