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Hello and God's Peace to all.

Have you ever had one of those days, weeks or times in your life where it seems like things are crashing in on you? When it seems like the evil in the world is gaining the upper hand, the kids are sick, the garden has too many weeds, the car needs repair and you are missing people or someone who has passed away? I certainly have. When a fellow is in those situations, it's tough to obey the admonition given in Ephesians 5:20 "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;"

A good friend brought that up to me during a difficult time, said that by praying and thanking the Lord for the difficulty he had in his life, the Lord helped him to see the benefits that could come from the situation. Reminded him not to spend too much time in self-pity, or suffering a poor attitude and complaining. I have found when things are running tough, Jesus wants us to turn to Him. He then reminds us that He will never leave us nor forsake us; is the same yesterday, today and forever. That He wishes for us to lean on and to Trust on His Name, not only for our Eternal safety but for our Daily Bread. The things we need each day and each moment.

May God Bless this summer for each of you dear reader! Please take time to spend in His Word each day. He will keep you and guide you on the journey all the way, and the Lord is always there for us, waiting to console, and give hope and joy!

Gods Peace,
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