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28:18-20 And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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Passion Week...Jesus last week!

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

Triumphal Entry	Curses the Fig Tree	Observe the Withered Fig Tree	<i>Unclear what happens this day:</i>	Passover Meal / Last Supper	Betrayals	Sabbath	Resurrection
Jesus weeps over Jerusalem	Cleanses the Temple	Temple Controversy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Teaching in the Temple?</i> • <i>Stays in Bethany?</i> • <i>Preparation for Passover?</i> 	Upper Room Discourse	7 Trials	Hiding out / laying low	Empty tomb witnesses
Returns to Bethany	Returns to Bethany	Olivet Discourse		Praying in the Garden	Crucifixion	Total despair	Appearances to the disciples
					Burial		

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Matthew 23:1-12

When we exalt ourselves, we

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separate,
and
isolate* **EA:**

ourselves from one another...

...all while robbing God of His majesty.

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Matthew 23:13-39

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BIG IDEA:

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Matthew 23:13-39

When we exalt ourselves,...

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Jesus says
we are in
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¹⁴ **Verse 14 does not appear in most ancient manuscripts and seems to be imported from Mk. 12 & Lk. 20**

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¹⁵ **Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you make him who is clean become unclean by your traditions.

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¹⁶ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you say, ‘We have sworn by heaven's oath, we will not give to Caesar what is Caesar's, but we will give to God what is God's.’ ¹⁷ You do not give to Caesar what is Caesar's, but you give to God what is God's. Therefore you are wise in your own eyes, but are foolish and blind, because you do not know what you are doing, and by him who is the Lord of the living you will be condemned. For what you give to Caesar is the image and the name of the emperor, but you give to God what is God's. Therefore you will be condemned. For you are unwilling to give to God what is God's.”

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²⁷ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you build tombs for the prophets and stone altars for the righteous, and you say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would have been like them.’ But you refuse to do what they did.”

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²⁹ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you are like whitewashed tombs, which on the outside are beautiful, but inside are full of bones and of rot. Similarly, on the outside you appear righteous, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and greed. ³⁰ You refuse to give to God what is God's, and you are unwilling to give to him who is the Lord of the living what is his. Therefore you will be condemned. For you have rejected my commandments that you might keep your traditions. ³¹ You are like snakes, who are without a snake's head. You are like scorpions, who are without a scorpion's tail. You will bite and sting. ³² Therefore you will be condemned. For you have rejected my commandments that you might keep your traditions. ³³ Truly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

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Opposite of **WOE** would be **WOW**

An interjection of **dissatisfaction** vs. **surprise**

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Rather than building a bridge they built **ROADBLOCKS.**

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They reproduced their own hypocrisy in others to the detriment of others.

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³⁶ Truly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

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¹³ "But **woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut the kingdom of heaven in people's faces. For you neither enter yourselves nor allow those who would enter to go in.

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¹⁵ **Woe to you**, scribes, you make him t

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¹⁶ "**Woe to you**, you swear by his oath.' ¹⁷ You say that it is nothing, but that makes the oath, and by him who

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You **blind men**! For which is greater, the gift or the altar that makes the gift sacred? ²⁰ So whoever swears by the altar swears by it and by everything on it. ²¹ And whoever swears by the temple swears by it and by Him who dwells in it. ²² And whoever swears by heaven swears by the throne of God and by Him who sits upon it.

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²³ "**Woe to you**, you swear by heaven and mercy and camel!

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²⁵ "**Woe to you**, you swear by indulgence. ²⁶ You

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They majored on the minors and lost sight of what is really important...played their religious gamesmanship.

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¹⁵ **Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you make him who is clean become unclean by what you teach.

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¹⁶ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you tithe mint and dill and cumin, but you neglect the weightier matters of the law: justice, mercy, and faithfulness. ¹⁷ You say, ‘We do not break his oath,’ but you do break the oath that makes the covenant effective. ¹⁸ Therefore, you are condemned, and by him who is the Father of the Fatherless and the Father of the Widows and Orphans, who is the Father of the Poor and the Oppressed, because you have neglected the law of commandments that are the basis of your life.

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²⁵ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you neglect the weightier matters of the law: justice, mercy, and faithfulness, in order to indulge in ceremonial observance and indulgence. ²⁶ You say, ‘We do not break the oath,’ but you do break the oath that makes the covenant effective.

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²⁷ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you build tombs for the prophets and decorate the graves of the righteous, and you say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would have repented and built tombs for the prophets and decorated the graves of the righteous.’

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²⁹ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would have repented and built tombs for the prophets and decorated the graves of the righteous.’ ³⁰ Therefore, you are condemned, because you have neglected the law of commandments that are the basis of your life. ³¹ Therefore, you are condemned, because you have neglected the law of commandments that are the basis of your life. ³² Therefore, you are condemned, because you have neglected the law of commandments that are the basis of your life.

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²³ “Woe to you, **scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** For you tithe mint and dill and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faithfulness. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. ²⁴ You **blind guides**, straining out a gnat and swallowing a camel!

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For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. ²⁶ You **blind Pharisee**! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.

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²⁵ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you do not love God and me, but you love the honor of men.”

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²⁷ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you build the tombs of the prophets and level the graves of the righteous, and you say, ‘If we had lived in the days of their fathers, we would have repented and not have become part of their generation.’”

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²⁹ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but are full of dead people's bones and filth inside. ³⁰ In the same way, on the outside you appear righteous to people, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and greed.”

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²³ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you reject the weight of the law and the prophets, but you observe the traditions of men. ²⁴ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ²⁵ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ²⁶ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ²⁷ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ²⁸ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ²⁹ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³⁰ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³¹ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³² You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³³ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³⁴ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³⁵ You say, ‘We are not guilty,’ but you do not keep the commandments of God. ³⁶ Truly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

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They focused on the ‘externals’ (*aesthetics*) and avoided the ‘internals’ (*substance*).

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¹⁶ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you tithe mint and anise and cummin, but you neglect the weightier matters of the law, justice, mercy, and faithfulness. ¹⁷ You say, ‘We do not defile ourselves by touching someone who has touched a dead animal.’ ¹⁸ It is not that which makes a person unclean, but what comes out of the mouth, and by that you will be defiled.”

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²³ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you give a tithe of mint and anise and cummin, but you neglect the weightier matters of the law, justice, mercy, and faithfulness. ²⁴ Come, let me give you a parable: If you have a camel, you will go through the eye of a needle, will you not?”

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²⁵ “**Woe to you**, scribes and Pharisees, because you despise the commandment of God, that you might keep your tradition. ²⁶ You say, ‘We do not defile ourselves by touching someone who has touched a dead animal.’”

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37 “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it!

How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

38 See, your house is left to you desolate.

39 For I tell you, you will not see me again, until you say,

‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.’”

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...they actively built roadblocks rather than bridges...

...they were more interested in their own hypocrisy no matter how it effected others...

...they played their religious games focused on trivial details rather than core issues of the human heart...

...they got caught up in surface simplistic things rather than the profound needs of the world...

...they tried to look good on the outside when in reality they were corrupt on the inside...

...they avoided dealing with their own brokenness...

...they paraded their self-righteousness as what turned out to be an unfortunate display of their arrogance.

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(Psalm 118:26)

Revelation 19:11-16 (referring to Jesus Second coming)

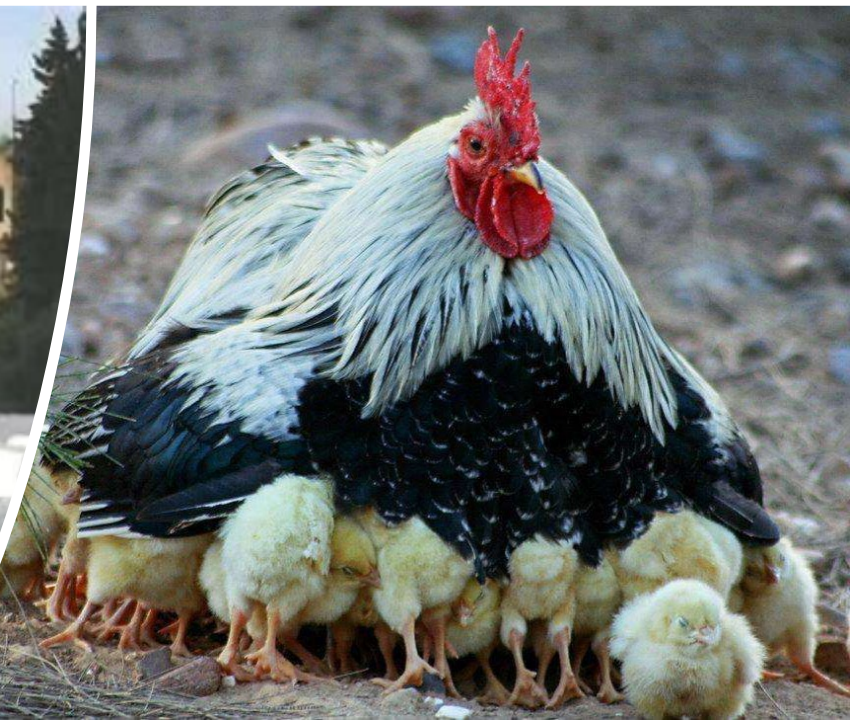
- ¹¹ Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.
- ¹² His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems, and He has a name written that no one knows but Himself.
- ¹³ He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which He is called is The Word of God.
- ¹⁴ And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following Him on white horses.
- ¹⁵ From His mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron.
He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.
- ¹⁶ On His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

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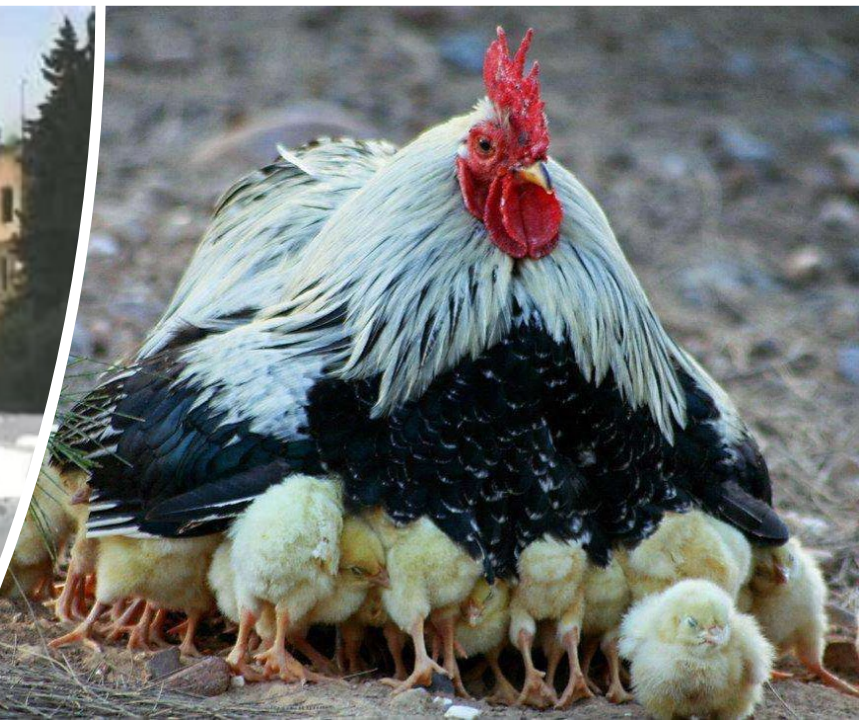
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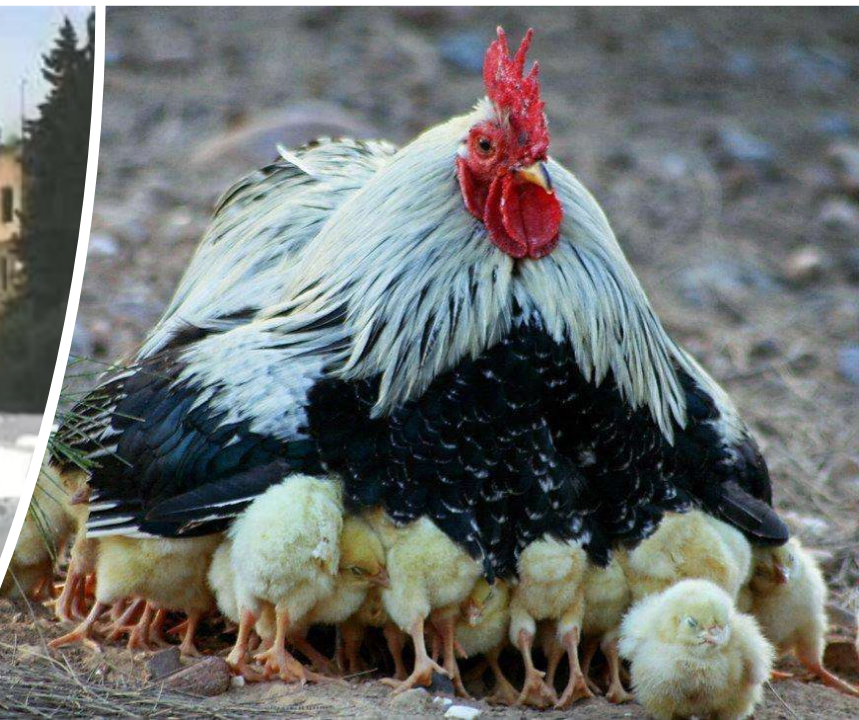
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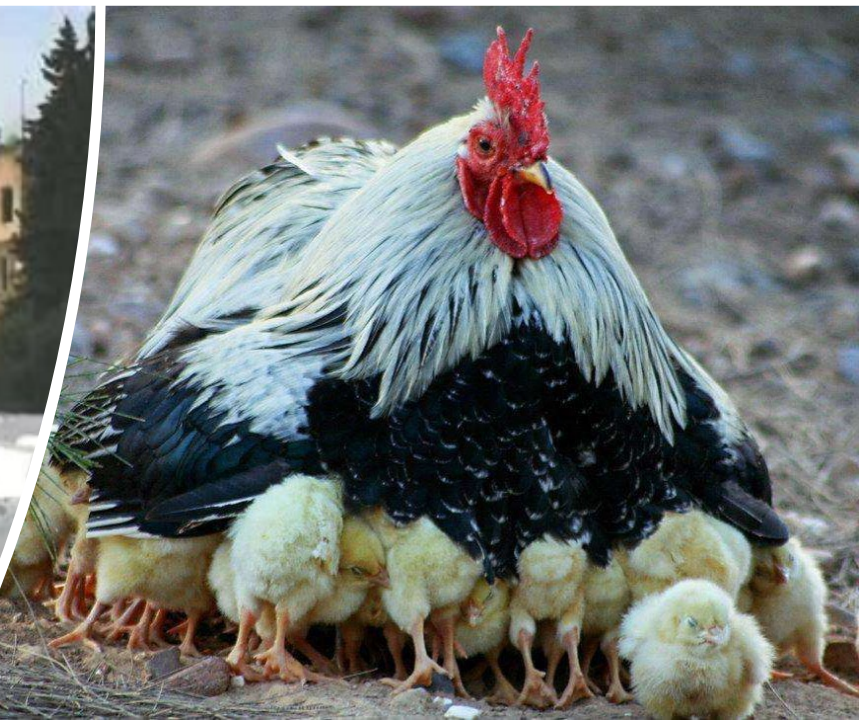


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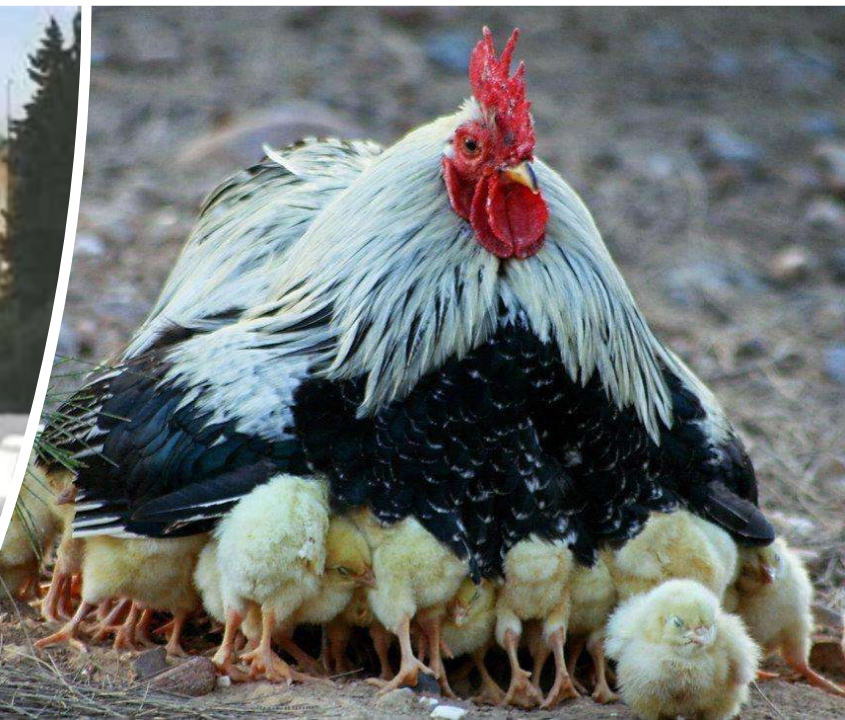
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So....therefore....what now?

WARINGS

Lamentations 3:22-24

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
His mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

“The Lord is my portion”,
says my soul,
“therefore, I will hope in Him.”

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