Volume 3, Day 9: Just One Small Step

Whatever God wants for your future is going to unfold right there. I've said to people, "I think the best way for God to not get me where He wants me to be in six months from now is to tell me where He wants me to be then. Because when he tells me where he wants me to go, I'm actually going to try to get there for Him. And I'm going to do it my way. And I'm going to end up lost and not in the very thing God wants me to be."

The very way for God to get you where he wants you in six months from now is for you to simply follow the step He gives you today and then in each tomorrow follow that step. As we respond in the moment to each thing God brings before us, we're going to find ourselves down the road standing exactly in the middle of what God has in mind for us. So don't try too hard to get that healing. Don't try too hard to get rid of your despair. Just open your life to him and ask God what's next? And when he nudges you, follow him.

The psalmist, David said, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." The analogy is this. In those days of lamps for night travel, very little light was produced for this night time guidance. It shone only about one step or so ahead. It would have been foolish to run, unless you wanted to stumble and get bloody. The lamp's light could let you see enough of the path not to wander off of it. But it wasn't possible to take more than a singe step at a time. Our problem is sometimes we think we have a brighter light which lets us hurry. But in the present moment only a little light will suffice. Just take it slow and easy. Stay in the light of God's lamp. Take just one step, then another and another.

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