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You Are Never Alone

Most everyone has felt to be alone at one time or another. My heart goes out to those soldiers who have been in a fox hole, in a jungle, or taken captive, who were indeed alone in one sense of the word and felt there was no one to help or who cared. They did not know maybe, but they were never alone.

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has told us, **“I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee”** (Hebrews 13:5). David needed to be able to read this verse when he felt so alone and penned down Psalm 102:7, **“I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top.”** He felt so alone that he also wrote in verse 6, **“I am like a pelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the desert.”** Now, those are three instances when David forgot for a moment that God was ever with him.

As the sparrow on the house top, there are times when we are able to observe all that is going on around us yet still feel as if no one is even aware of our existence. Perhaps some even think we are worthless and of no value. A pelican in the wilderness reminds me of times when I felt to be so out of place, either in the wrong place or that no one understood how I felt at the time. Provisions seemed impossible to obtain and I thirsted with no water in sight. Then there is the Owl, though depicted to be wise, he found himself in a desert with no one that gave a hoot. And, even if he sent forth a screech, there was no one to hear or listen to his woes.

Maybe there are times when you feel like you are in one of these conditions, or maybe your situation is one of despair. If so, then you may need to reflect on David’s words when he came to himself and realized once again the mercies of God. In Psalm 102:12-13 he recalled those mercies, **“But thou, O LORD, shall endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations. Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.”** Then in verse 17 he wrote, **“He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.”**

Notice how beautifully these uplifting words of hope and courage roll off the pen of David. It would do us well to remember the mercies of our Lord and that

He will never leave us alone. God took care of Elijah, the Raven, and also the Ant, and so He will for you. **“Think About It!”**