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After Jesus told Peter by what kind of death he was to glorify God, Peter asked how was John going to glorify God, and was unceremoniously told by Jesus to mind his own business.

The first mistake I made was to assume I could resume normal living in no time, given the fact that a number of people we know, have had more blocked arteries, required multiple stents, and even heart bypass surgeries, but were up and about very quickly. And all I had was just one blocked artery that required just one stent.

**NEXT
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**Stumbling
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1 Corinthians 8

Preacher
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This was lesson one – His ways are not our ways and He determines what is most effective in helping us grow in our walk with Him. Both Peter and John glorified God but John was not martyred. Couldn't we learn the same lessons without so much pain? Maybe but CoCa-Cola lovers will tell you Coke tastes much much better at the end of a Malay Mail Big Walk event.

In the last five months, there was much anguish, physically, emotionally, and spiritually, but there were also many mountaintop experiences that have enriched my personal relationship with God. I would like to share just two with you so you know what an amazing God we have.

Just a few days into my stay in Serdang Hospital, I was seized by panic attacks, which caused breathlessness, and in turn, sleeplessness. These attacks occurred each time I tried to lie down to get some sleep and it took time to get back to normal breathing. Fear was certainly present, but what was I fearful about? I know for certain where I am headed after death having known God for so long, I must admit the favorite pastime of the patients reporting who in which bed did not make it through the night, did not help.

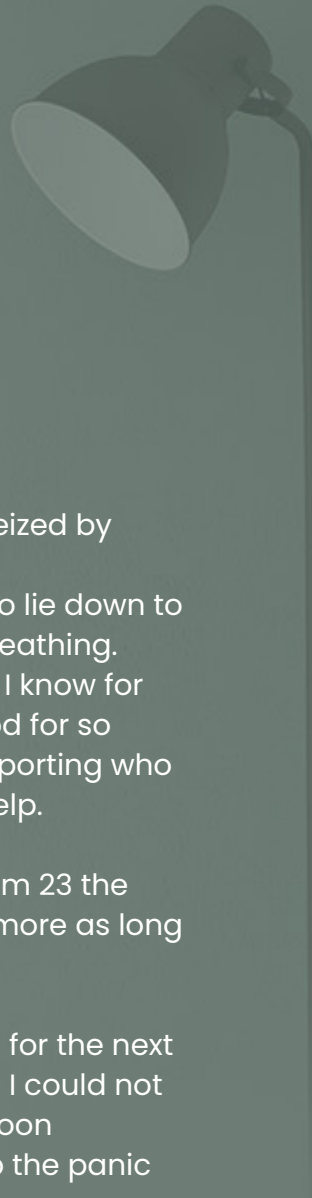
I finally found relief when I recited and meditated on Psalm 23 the minute I laid my head down. I wasn't gasping for air anymore as long as Psalm 23 was on my mind.

However, the panic attacks and sleeplessness continued for the next 2 months at home, turning me into a zombie. Then, when I could not bear it anymore, a mountain-top experience. One afternoon alone in my hall, I begged God to be merciful and to stop the panic attacks.

A distinctly male voice, clearly audible though softly, said, Yes, David, I will heal you of your panic attacks.

Dare I claim that God, my Father in Heaven, spoke?

All I know is that from that moment forth, no more breathlessness from panic attacks and I could sleep. And, yes, it was a beautiful voice.



Our God is a faithful God even though we are not. My eldest sister is 88 years old and has been attending church for as long as I remember. While I know for sure her late husband enjoyed a close walk with God, from his demeanor, and the evidence of the fruit of the Spirit in him, I was not too sure of my sister. I had asked God to let me know if hers is a genuine faith and not merely a pew warmer. Sure, we talked but because we always conversed in Cantonese, I was never completely sure. After some years, I stopped asking God about her, and I am not proud of that.

Towards the end of my 2-week sojourn in Serdang Hospital, my eldest sister's son came to visit along with a niece and an Alpha participant, I know this nephew goes to church now and again but I was never sure of his faith. As is my usual practice, I asked all 3 visitors to pray for me before leaving. The other two being devout Christians, had no issue even though there were 3 Muslim patients in that room that evening and I waited anxiously for my nephew's turn. My nephew duly prayed which was a joy for me.

The following week after my discharge, my eldest sister came to visit and I mentioned her son prayed for me in hospital. And then this happened:

My 88-year-old sister stood up and gave thanks to God for her son and prayed for me. I was overjoyed for I now know hers is a genuine faith. And though I had stopped asking God for confirmation of her faith, God did not forget. Isn't our God an amazing God?



by David Ng

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God is Working for Our Good (Romans 8:28–30)

by David Platt March 24, 2018

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

God, thank You for this promise. Thank You for this reminder that You are ultimately in control of all things, even the worst things. Even the things that we least understand. That You who are all wise are ultimately in control and that You're working all these things together for our good and for the good of those who love You. And who has been according to Your purpose, that You're gonna carry out this purpose in our lives. You're gonna bring us more and more into the image of Jesus, that we're gonna know and enjoy and delight in You more at the end of this journey when it's all said and done, in greater ways than we can even fathom right now.

So help us to trust in You. I pray for those who are walking through hard times especially right now that You would help them to trust in You. Help my brothers and sisters trust in Your promise here in Romans 8:28–30. Help me when I walk through certain things that I can't even imagine right now in the future. God, help me to cling to Romans 8:28–30, and we pray that You would indeed fulfill Your promise to work all these things together for our good and bring us glory with You. We long for that day. We long for the ultimate fulfillment of this promise.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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