

Thought for the Day – 1st April 2020

His compassions never fail.

***“For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed,
but my steadfast love shall not depart from you,
and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,
says the Lord, who has compassion on you.” Isaiah 54:10***

I wonder what you are grieving the most at the moment? Is it the loss of your freedom, is it being apart from those you love, is it the postponement of things you have been looking forward to for a long time, is it being able to give and receive a hug? One of the things that Peter and I grieved last Friday was the ability to go out of Bayston Hill, into the hills and recharge in the beauty of God's creation, and be just us. We are so blessed to have Lyth Hill to walk on, but in that moment it felt like the 'hills had been removed'!

Friday was our hardest day yet, and not only because of that, but as I wept in the early hours of Saturday, tears for myself, my family and the suffering of so many, God took me back to this verse that He had given me so powerfully 2 weeks before – before any restrictions had begun to be placed on our daily lives. They brought such comfort and such hope and my prayer is that they will for you too.

‘but my steadfast love shall not depart from you’ – God's love for you is unshakeable and unchanging and nothing not even Covid 19 can separate you from it!

‘my covenant of peace shall not be removed’ – Whatever you are grieving and whatever has been and may be removed from us, God's covenant and promise of peace still stands. (It has not always felt peaceful in our household but God's peace is always available to us, and when Peter and I have sought it, it has come, sometimes in an instant because nothing is impossible with God!)

‘says the Lord who has compassion on you’ – I don't know about you but at times already I have experienced compassion fatigue but God's compassions **never** fail. They are new every morning! Lamentations 3:22.

May God bless, comfort and strengthen you today. Debbie

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