Favorite Scripture – Debbie Eller (2021)

Book(s) and Chapter(s):

Romans 8: 28

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Scripture passage(s):

28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Why this is my favorite scripture:

This verse first came to my attention at a very painful time, after the death of my infant daughter. I had received a card from a devote Christian lady, in which she had written a note, including this verse. I must admit that it took a matter of time for me to "grow into" this verse. Eventually I came to see that bad things happen in this broken, sinful world. But the one thing that we can count on is that God is always in control, no matter how it seems. We may not understand some things this side of heaven, but God sees the completed picture. Isaiah 55: 9 teaches us that His ways and thoughts are higher than ours. He can use our situation for His glory. Looking back, I can appreciate how the Lord was with me at a devastating time. He sent comfort in ways and through people that I could never imagined. As a result of the comfort I have received, I strive to do likewise for others, as we are directed to do in 2 Corinthians 1: 3-4. As God's children we have His assurance that His purpose prevails and that He is working out the details of our life in a manner that will ultimately benefit us.

What it provides me:

Hope, Reassurance

What I hope it brings to others:

Heavenly Father, thank you for your faithfulness, especially in difficult times. Remind us that you are in control of every situation, and that as your children, we can trust you to work out all things for our good. Help us to fully depend on you and respond in a way that glorifies you. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.