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Thinking of You
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One of the kindest gestures we may give another is sending a card that says “Thinking of You.” It lets the recipient know that someone somewhere is thinking at that moment about him or her. It may be sent for virtually any reason. Recognizing a person’s joy, sadness, disappointment, or struggle is a simple, yet powerful act of kindness and love which is usually remembered for years. Thinking of you.

If we could do so, I wonder how often we would send a “Thinking of You” card to God. David spent much time in thought about the Lord. He thought about God when he was in every conceivable situation. In danger he said, “You O Lord are a shield for me, my glory and the One who lifts up my head”(Ps. 3:3).

David thought about God when he was experiencing every emotion known to man. In the throes of guilt, he said, “Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, the God of my salvation” (Ps. 51:14a). He didn’t just think about God when in need, but also when he was full of thankfulness and praise. Perhaps his heart was nearly bursting when he said, “Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise You. Thus I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name, my soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips” (Ps. 63:3-5). David certainly thought a lot about God.

How often do you suppose God would send us a “Thinking of You” card? The answer may stun you – it certainly struck me with awe. David wrote to God in song, “Your thoughts toward us cannot be recounted to you in order; if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered”(Psalm 40:5b). The Lord’s thoughts about you and me cannot be organized or counted because they surpass numbers. Jesus said our Father knows the things we need before we even ask Him (Matt. 6:8). The magnitude of His thought is beyond human comprehension.

When we experience the heights of gladness, God is thinking of us. When we are struggling, God is thinking of us. When we are consumed with disappointment and other hurtful emotions, God is thinking about us. When we sink to the fathomless depths of despair, He is thinking of us. The God of the universe has his mind on us! That realization is both humbling and amazing. It should encourage us to more fully trust in Him.

God may not send us a “Thinking of You” card designed by Hallmark, but He always gives the best. He gave us scripture so we may have an extraordinary privilege, a glimpse into His mind. God is thinking of you. He’s thinking of me, too. What an awesome thought!

Today’s Verse: *“For my thoughts are not your thoughts. Nor are your ways My ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.”* Isaiah 55:8-9

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