



Reflections from the Sequoia Room

A Weekly Devotional
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Angels on Call: A Ministry of Belonging and Love

I never used to worry about daily meals. My life as a pastor has been simple, but I always managed—grabbing something on the go or preparing a quick meal. It was a rhythm I took for granted until everything changed.

When my wife's injury left her needing care, my children fell ill, and I faced my own health challenges, even the smallest tasks became overwhelming. Cooking, once routine, now felt like an insurmountable burden. The cycle of preparing meals and washing dishes wore me down until I simply couldn't do it anymore.

Then *Angels on Call* stepped in. Volunteers arrived with meals, but they brought more than food—they brought kindness, care, and connection. Their hospitality reminded me that community isn't just a comforting idea; it's the very thing that sustains us. Through their generosity, I felt seen, supported, and deeply loved.

This experience taught me that a meal is more than nourishment—it's a message: *You are not alone. You are part of a family that cares.* Each dish became a symbol of grace, a reminder that we belong to a community rooted in Christ's love.

Scripture speaks to this kind of resilience and connection. As Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, “*We are hard-pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.*” These words now resonate with me in a profound way. *Angels on Call* didn’t just meet a physical need; they nurtured my spirit, revealing God’s sustaining grace through the love of others.

When we pray, “*Give us this day our daily bread,*” we’re asking for more than food—we’re longing for connection, belonging, and love. Faith isn’t just something we believe; it’s something we live out, reflected in acts of care for one another.

Through this ministry, I’ve been humbled by the depth of our community’s generosity. In life’s hardest moments, we endure—not because we are strong alone, but because we are held together by faith, love, and one another.

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