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*Devotional done by essjee from stand for your marriage*



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## Psalm 103:8-17

*8 The Lord is compassionate and merciful, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. 9 He will not constantly accuse us, nor remain angry forever. 10 He does not punish us for all our sins; he does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve. 11 For his unfailing love toward those who fear him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth.*

*12 He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west. 13 The Lord is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him. 14 For he knows how weak we are; he remembers we are only dust.*

*15 Our days on earth are like grass; like wildflowers, we bloom and die. 16 The wind blows, and we are gone— as though we had never been here. 17 But the love of the Lord remains forever with those who fear him.*

*His salvation extends to the children's children*

Reflecting a year and through months back I see how I have lost everything dear to me. In many ways I have died also. The pain that goes with separation or divorce is so hard to describe, its something not many recover from much more go on with there live normally. I thought I will never recover from all that pain I felt in my heart. I thought my life was over and done with. Even after the Lord gave me the revelation of to stand in Love with Him for the restoration of my marriage and wife, I had some dark days.

I'm writing this devotion today to give you hope dear stander, maybe your beginning this journey or have been standing a while, I think in both cases you will find this devotional inspiring.

When my spouse was deceived and she hardened her self to me and left I felt rejected, hurt, mistreated, abounded, unloved , tricked, banished, and felt like a fool. The next phase one goes after that is the why questions? Why God....., why did this happen to us? Why, why why...? At

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some stages we get so mad at God that we turn away from Him. Then the next question we start to ask is the what if? Some standers who are standing awhile will get weary and will find someone else to fill that hole.

Many of us will try to solve our problems on our terms and our ways. In the start of our stand we will trust God but as time passes and we don't see any results we will say , ok God your taking to long, I'm taking things in my hands now. Some days we will just feel hopeless and weary and just want to give up. We will be tempted everyday. Not many of us will succeed, falling back to our old habits or addictions.

But how then, Essjee, do we get to the other side? I founded that is actually so simple. To lose everything is sometimes a perfect place to start. Ask yourself who built this house, you or God? Let God lead you to rebuild on the rock, Jesus Christ. Jesus did do everything for us. He died so that you and I can have a life of abundance. I have decided that I will love my wife no matter what. Even if she didn't deserve my love, I will still love her. Christ died for us even when we didn't even deserve it.

To stand is more than just standing for your marriage to get healed, resurrected or restored. This is about your mate's eternal destiny. Who is going to pray for them if we stop praying for there salvation and safety etc? You're also breaking the curse of divorce in your family, you're leaving a legacy. To stand is LOVE in action. Through your commitment to love your beloved for better and worse you will demonstrate to them what love is all about.

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Dear reader I can testify that I'm whole again, all my past failures and struggles, My Lord and savior Jesus took away. He made me into a new man, I never thought that was possible. I have a love now for Jesus and my wife I never new was possible. I love her so so much even words can't describe the love I have for her. We were call to a higher calling; we won't call to live out our life for all of our selfless desires.

## **A time for everything**

### **Ecclesiastes 3:1-**

#### **A Time for Everything**

1 For everything there is a season,  
a time for every activity under heaven.  
2 A time to be born and a time to die.  
A time to plant and a time to harvest.  
3 A time to kill and a time to heal.  
A time to tear down and a time to build up.  
4 A time to cry and a time to laugh.  
A time to grieve and a time to dance.  
5 A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones.  
A time to embrace and a time to turn away.  
6 A time to search and a time to quit searching.  
A time to keep and a time to throw away.  
7 A time to tear and a time to mend.  
A time to be quiet and a time to speak.  
8 A time to love and a time to hate.  
A time for war and a time for peace.

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If you choose to re commit to your stand and say God I'm doing this come high and low water I choose to follow you no matter what. Say out loud our standers affirmation;

God bless

Standers Mission Statement

### **I AM STANDING FOR THE HEALING OF MY MARRIAGE!...**

I will not give up, give in, give out or give over 'til that healing takes place. I made a vow, I said the words, I gave the pledge, I gave a ring, I took a ring, I gave myself, I trusted GOD, and said the words, and meant the words... in sickness and in health, in sorrow and in joy, for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in good times and in bad...so I am standing NOW, and will not sit down, let down, slow down, calm down, fall down, look down or be down 'til the breakdown is torn down!

I refuse to put my eyes on outward circumstances, or listen to prophets of doom, or buy into what is trendy, worldly, popular, convenient, easy, quick, thrifty, or advantageous... nor will I settle for a cheap imitation of God's real thing, nor will I seek to lower God's standard, twist God's will, rewrite God's word, violate God's covenant, or accept what God hates, namely divorce!

In a world of filth, I will stay pure; surrounded by lies I will speak the truth; where hopelessness abounds, I will hope in God: where revenge is easier, I will bless instead of curse; and where the odds are stacked against me, I will trust in God's faithfulness.

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I am a STANDER, and I will not acquiesce, compromise, quarrel or quit.. I have made the choice, set my face, entered the race, believed the Word, and trusted God for all the outcome.

I will allow neither the reaction of my spouse, nor the urging of my friends, nor the advice of my loved ones, nor economic hardship, nor the prompting of the devil to make me let up, slow up, blow up, or give up 'til my marriage is healed.

- Author Unknown