

Wednesday Word 12/10/2025

Isaiah 26:3 *"You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts you."*

In 2016, Naomi and I were renting a house on a farm not too far from Living Word on 304th and Webster Road. The landlords we were renting from decided it was time for them to sell, and we were up in the air as to how long we had to live in the home. The time came and an offer was submitted on the property. It was accepted and we had just a few months to get ready to move. We were having trouble finding a new place as we were not yet able to buy a home just yet. Naomi was 8 months pregnant with Echo, and I was working as a pastor in Orting, so the move had another layer of potential stress and fear on top of it.

We rented a portable container and began packing up the container with all our belongings and still had no idea where we were going to move to. Every day our kids, who were still very young, would ask where we were going to move. Every day we would answer: "God will provide." I remember this conflict in my spirit between wanting to give in to the stress and wanting to be at peace knowing God would provide. After about 6 weeks of packing without any knowledge of where we were going, Naomi got a phone call from a childhood friend who had a house for rent in Graham. The rent price was lower than any other rental we had looked at by far. Within two weeks of our move-out date, we had secured a new place to live. It was a huge relief.

As I look back on that season of our lives, I consider the two heart positions I had to choose from. The panic and overwhelming stress of the situation could have ruled that moment or faith and trust, which we decided to model for our kids, would rule our hearts. The result would have been the same with a place to live being provided, but the road to get there was paved with peace.

I have learned that peace in the heart is a choice-it is allowing God to fill my spirit with a security only He can provide. If I try to fill my heart, the stress of control will take over and influence everything I do from that moment. So, in the end, the choice is mine. Once that choice is made, God is faithful to set up that guard of peace in my heart.

Let's prayerfully consider peace over fear in all our situations life throws our way!

I love you and God loves you!

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