Blessing in Disguise
by Larry J. Hodges

Sometimes we learn that hardship are blessing in disguise, that earnest work and faith in God are proven to be wise. God's Word is like refreshing rain that waters crops and seed. It brings new life to open heart and meets us in our need. Jesus you stood for truth and in the end you stood alone. Thank you I can rest in the work of the cross that you have done.

The power of God can turn a heart from evil and the power of sin. The love of God can change a life and make it new and clean within.

Lord thank you that you are a God who is listening. Your ways are right and good, all who walk in them walk in blessing.

Lord when it is difficult help me walk in your ways.

fill me with your light and love as I share your good news today.
My Help comes from the Lord
Who made heaven and earth

Lord, open our eyes that we may see,

Jesus loves me! This I know
For the Bible tell me so
Little ones to Him belong
They are weak but He is strong

Love is giving for the world's needs
Love is sharing as the spirit leads
Love is caring when the world cries
Love is compassion with Christ-like eyes

Everyone can do something to make the world better we can let Christ shine through us.
The more we understand God's love for us, the more we'll show to others.

Thank you Father, that you are my place of rest
And that all you have brought me through can be used by you to encourage others bringing Praise to yourself through me.

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When You Count Your Blessings
by Larry J. Hodges

Dear Jesus, help me to experience your love more deeply so that I can share it with others. Empower me through your Holy Spirit so that I can glorify you.

Thank you Father, for the work of Christ on the cross. Help me to understand and accept what it means for me and to be a messenger of that forgiveness to those I meet along the way.

Lord remind me often that growing older means I am growing nearer to you! Keep my heart filled with gratitude for your many blessings and keep my mind fixed on the joy of heaven.

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by Larry J. Hodges

Jesus I want to love like you. Give me your eyes so that I may see others as you do and give me your heart for them.

Pray that God will help you to listen to Him better and to be prepared to follow Him even if it means changing your plans.

Bring to God any unconfessed sin you may be faith to God and those around you in every area of your life.

Father you are the joy of my heart and I will love forever. Thank you for making me your child.
Loving Jesus
by Larry J. Hodges

Lord may we see you today in the small
details of life in ways that we hadn't
noticed before. Thank you for the gift of
your quiet presence.

Father I always need you forgive me for
thinking I am sufficient in myself. Help
me to follow you and your ways whether
life is easy or difficult. Thank you for
caring for me.

There is a place of quiet rest
near to the heart of God
A place where all is joy and peace
near to the heart of God.

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What you are guarding
The Lord's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in Him.
by Larry J. Hodges

Now you are ready to practice

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths. But only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.
Lord when I do not understand the things that are going on in my life, bring my attention to the reality of who Jesus is Lord. I need your freedom. Give me courage and strength to choose you and follow you always.

Make a point of speaking about God's work, his goodness and his love to you whenever you have opportunity.

Lord, help me to understand the power of my words and speak good words that bring life.
by Larry J. Hodges

Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men.
Father, thank you for making me a part of the Family of God.

Lord, together with your people I bless you with all my heart for your goodness and grace.

How do you see God's judgment?
I'm sitting in jail, wondering How can it be.
I thought I was alone, until I felt God in me.
I wish I could take back everything I've said and done.
So I apologize to God and to everyone.
How can it be, I thought I had it all figured out.
Until I started to listen to my heart, instead of with my mouth.
Although I sit here thinking, it could be a lot worse.
For all I've done I could be dead and riding in a hearse.
It's time to stop doing wrong and start doing right.
So I let Jesus Christ back into my life.
May we share the light and life of Jesus with others today.

Please help me to stay in touch with your heart—today by reminding myself of your faithfulness and love.

The gift of God's love in us can bring light to any darkness.

The birth of Jesus is the best news the world has ever received!

I love the life you've given to me, Lord. Yet I wonder what it will be like to see you personally.

Help me to trust you with the future.

I look forward to that day when I meet you.

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Unit D-6
Lord Jesus I know My spirit is willing But my body is weak. Help me to watch and pray today for myself and for others.

Thank you that our salvation and spiritual well-being does not depend on our failing minds and bodies but on you and your faithfulness to your Word.

Lord Jesus you dwell with me. May my words today build up someone for your glory. As God's people we are His mouthpiece to spread His good news.

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UNIT D-0
Dear Lord, we love you so much

We want our words and our lives to be a witness of your goodness and grace. Please use us in ways we never thought possible.

Holy Spirit, I want my life to be marked by your power.

May my words and actions give life-giving rain to encourage others to know you and trust you.

Some people can be difficult to love and so we don't even try to care.

But God says love them just as I've loved you. You'll bring me glory as my love you share.

Lord, for the blessing of your grace,

I am forever grateful! Teach me to accept your grace and to live in it's power.

Help me to share your story with others.

Lord, I want to be apart of what you are doing in your world apart from you.

My work is nothing unless I fill me use me.

God, who know the name of every star,

Know all our names as well.

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Unit D-6
THANK YOU FOR THE NEW LIFE YOU ARE BUILDING IN US THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS.

HELP US TO DAILY TURN TO YOU FOR CLEANSING AND RENEWAL.

I WILL FIND THE STRENGTH TO DO THE WORK YOU HAVE FOR ME TO DO.

MOST THINGS WORTH DOING ARE DIFFICULT.

LIVING FOR CHRIST BRINGS TRUE FREEDOM.
DEAR LORD THANK YOU FOR YOUR GRACE AND YOUR OFFER OF
SALVATION AND FORGIVENESS THROUGH CHRIST.
HELP ME TO BE A JOY TO YOU BY DRAWING NEAR TO YOU.

SING PRAISES TO GOD
SING PRAISES;
SING PRAISES TO OUR KING
SING PRAISES.

THE BIGGEST WORK A CHRISTIAN CAN DO IS TO FIND HIS FRIEND
AND INTRODUCE HIM TO JESUS CHRIST.
Thank you for the opportunity to learn of you through the Bible and to talk with you in prayer.

Do everything for the glory of God.

The words we take in determine the words we speak, live by and pass on to those around us.

God, thank you for creating the world in all its beauty for our enjoyment and yours.

Then God looked over all He had made and He saw that it was very good!
by Larry D. Hodges

"There shall be showers of blessing
There shall be seasons refreshing,
This is the promise of love
Sent from the savior above.

Heavenly Father, the trouble in this world can
divert our eyes from you. Thank you for your word
that helps us stay focused. May we find our delight
in your love and share it with others today.

Lord, we love you, we want to learn to love
you with all our heart, soul and strength.
Use our lives and our words to point others to you.
THANK YOU GOD THAT YOU ARE THERE FOR US
WE HEAR YOUR WORDS YOU WILL SEEK ME AND
FIND ME WHEN YOU SEARCH FOR ME WITH
ALL YOUR HEART.

DEAR LORD, GIVE A HEART OF COMPASSION
FOR THOSE WHO ARE LOST IN SIN
HELP ME NOT TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT
WHAT OTHERS THINK OF ME BUT ONLY
THAT YOUR HOLY NAME WILL BE HONORED.

WHILE SOMETIMES I THINK I CAN SEE THE BIG PICTURE
LORD MY HEART KNOWS IT SEE'S SO LITTLE I'M
THANKFUL THAT YOU ARE WORKING OUT YOUR
BEAUTIFUL WILL IN THIS WORLD AND I CAN
TRUST YOU.

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THE POWER OF GOD CAN TURN A HEART FROM EVIL AND THE POWER OF SIN
THE LOVE OF GOD CHANGE A LIFE
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LORD SHINE THE LIGHT OF YOUR FACE ON US THAT WE MAY
FIND OUR WAY TO YOUR SALVATION. SHINE YOUR LIGHT
INTO THE DARKNESS THAT ENVELOPES OUR WORLD THAT
WE MAY SEE WHO YOU ARE AND SHOW OTHERS THE WAY TO YOU

YOU GOD HAVE BEEN OUR HELD FOREVER
AND YOU ARE OUR HOPE NOW AND INTO ETERNITY

WE THANK YOU THAT YOU WILL NEVER DESERT US
YOU WILL BE FAITHFUL

WHEN WE CALL OUT TO YOU O LORD
AND WAIT FOR ANSWERS TO OUR PRAYER
GIVE US THE PATIENCE THAT WE NEED
AND HELP US SENSE YOUR LOVE AND CARE

WHILE SOMETIMES I THINK I CAN SEE THE BIG PICTURE LORD
MY HEART KNOWS IT SEE SO LITTLE I'M THANKFUL THAT
YOU ARE WORKING OUT YOUR BEAUTIFUL WILL IN THE
WORLD AND I CAN TRUST YOU.
Lord, thank you for grace. Help us to never cheapen that which cost you everything.

Lord you are beautiful and kind and good.
You have no part in darkness. I want to live in the light of your life.

Lord of Life let me hear your call to life and bring that call so that others might be saved.

Jesus I know that you hear me and you are ready respond to the cry of my heart as I seek you in truth.
Lord Jesus thank you that you are watching over me and know my every thought and need I can depend on you.

Lord Jesus as you gave up your life for me help me to give my life to you.

Jesus you are Lord and my only Hope I place all my trust in you.

Lord help me to trust you for what is not possible without you help me to continually fix my eyes on you.

Generous Father I desire to be in step with you as you bring the bread of life to the world. Help me to be ready.
Beloved Jesus, I trust you and I will bring everything to you in prayer knowing you will answer.

Lord help me to remember your works and to be faithful to you in all my ways.

Lord everything you do is good when I do not understand your ways help me to trust your heart.

Lord when I do not understand the things that are going on in my life, bring my attention to the reality of who Jesus is.
Lord my patience is often lacking and my time table often does not match yours forgive me for my times of doubt and help me to trust you more.

All through this day O Lord let me touch as many lives as possible for you through the words I speak the prayers I breathe the letters I write.

Peace I leave with you my peace I give to you not as the world gives do I give to you "Jesus.

God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
God, you are full of light and truth. You see the heart and do not look as humans look. Thank you.

God, I want to partner with you to bring the bread of life to a world that is dying for lack of it. Prepare me and send me.

Savior, you are the one in whom I place all my trust. You are a good God and I love you.

Lord Jesus, as you gave up your life for me, help me to give my life to you.

Lord God, I fall at your feet in worship. Fill me with your light and love as I share your good news in the world today.
By Larry J. Hodges

My King you humbled yourself to the lowest place
I will take up my cross and follow you I love you.

Jesus you stood for truth and in the end you stood alone
I desire to be a true friend to God, help me stand with you.

Lord thank you that I can rest in the finished work
of the cross thank you for what you have done!

Lord of life thank you that you dwell with us
on earth thank you for Jesus and care about each of us.

Lord thank you that you are a God who is listening
thank you that you see us and for your great love.

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UNIT D-6
God knows how we are made and He knows what is good for us. However, it can be easy to overlook God's blessings or take them for granted.

Yes, sometimes we are delivered from it. But sometimes we have to follow in the footsteps of the suffering Christ.

There is no doubt here as to who Jesus is claiming to be: none less than God Himself.
By Larry J. Hodges

If ye then being evil know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in Heaven give good things to them that ask Him?

God wants to do good things for us because He loves us. We can begin to understand how much the Father loves us if we think about how much we love our children.

God wants to have a personal relationship with us because as a loving Father there is so much He wants to do for us. He wants us to receive all the benefits He has for us that were read about in Psalm 103. Relationship with Him God sent His Son Jesus. Jesus said I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No comes to the Father but through Me.
Thank you that you are ever drawing me deeper into your heart.

Help me let everything else go and seek you alone.

Lord, your beauty is everywhere open my eyes to see you behind all the wonders you have made.

Lord help me remember that you have been patient and kind with me. Help me be the same with others.

Lord God, I turn to you. I want to know you better. Help me to see you and understand your heart.
Lord Jesus I know my spirit is willing but my body is weak
Help me to watch and pray today for myself and for others

Thank you that our salvation and spiritual well-being
does not depend on our failing minds and bodies
But on you and your faithfulness to your word.

Lord Jesus you dwell with me
May my words today build up someone for your glory.
As God's people we are His mouthpiece to
spread His good news.
Heavenly Father, help us to be strong in you and in the power of your might open our eyes so that we may see the spiritual realities you have for us.

Father, I lift my beloved to you knowing that your love him even more than I do and you understand just what to do to meet his need. I commit him to your care.

Prayer is the voice of faith, trusting that God knows and cares. To rule your tongue let Christ rule in your heart.
Father, please help me to turn my worries into prayer.

My problems are better in your hands than in my own.

Prayer moves the hand that moves the world.

Come to me, Beloved, out through our lives today.

Jesus's arm of welcome are always open.

Lord, thank you for second and third chances.

Whatever comes my way, please come near to me.

Lord, to help I cannot make it through anything without you. Thank you.
Lord, push back the darkness in this world and help me willingly respond when that requires something of me.

Lord let my heart break with what breaks your heart. If it is something in me let me leave it behind.

Lord when you are seeking one to walk in your ways may you find what you are looking for in me.

Be a person of your word. Let your actions a heart of truth entrust yourself to God and do what is right.

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Unit D-6
Lord thank you for grace. Help us to never cheapen that which cost you everything.

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you have no part in darkness. I want to live in the light of your life.

Lord of life let me hear your call to life.
and bring that call so that others might be saved

Jesus I know that you hear me and you are ready respond to the cry of my heart as I seek you in truth.
Heavenly Father, life can be so wonderful but also so hard. Help us to seek you in good times as well as the bad. Help us to always be mindful that you are our sure hope in a world that doesn't always seem to care.

As song of sadness can turn our hearts to the God where joy for us is forever.

When we forgive someone, we look more like Jesus than at any other moment in our life.

Peace I leave with you my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.

God has not given us a spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

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Jesus I want to love like you Give me your eyes
so that I may see others as you do and give me
your heart for them.

Do you see the best in your family and friends
and love them for who they are?

Lord my life is yours I know that you will make
me great I want only what you want
Lord Be Blessed in me

Thank God for His blessings and ask Him
for and on going sense of direction and
purpose to your life.

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Of a sound mind.
Faithful God, your word brings light to my heart and teaches me the way I should go. All my hope is in you, Father. You patiently call out to a world that has turned from you. Help me to draw near while there is still time.

Holy God, you are set apart and you call a people set apart. May we never see the grace of God as license to sin.

Faithful God, all your ways are good and right, and you are a safe hiding place for all who trust in you.
Lord help me to be aware of your hand working in my life and in everything around me.

Be faithful in all God has called you to and know He will be faithful to all He has promised.

Lord, help me to know your heart is always for my good and that I can trust you even when I do not understand.

Do you have peace knowing God allows suffering?
By Larry J. Hodges

Dear Lord, give me a heart of compassion for those who are lost in sin. Help me not to be concerned about what others think of me but only that your holy name will be honored.

Christ gave everything to make something beautiful of His church.

When we put our problems in God's hand, He puts His peace in our hearts.

Jesus is our life throughout the year.

Open your heart to God to learn compassion and open your hand to give help.
DRAW ME NEAR TO YOUR HEART AND HELP ME TO BRING YOUR LIGHT TO A WORLD IN DARKNESS

LORD help me to allow your light to search my heart
AS I READ YOUR WORD, MAY I HEAR YOUR MESSAGE TO ME.

LORD AS I COME TO YOUR WORD, I WANT TO HEAR YOUR HEART.
I WANT TO WALK WITH YOU IN THE WAY OF LOVE.
YOU PAID A TERRIBLE COST TO WALK IN TRUTH
BUT YOU DID IT FOR THE SAKE OF LOVE
HELP ME TO BE A PERSON OF LOVE AND TRUTH
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Lord, when you are seeking one to walk in your ways may you find what you are looking for in me.

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Lord Please take control of my words today
fill me with your words of love and grace
use them to turn some heart toward you I can do nothing with you.

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were blessing in disguise
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were proven to be wise

God's word is like refreshing rain
that waters crops and seed
It brings new life to open hearts,
and meets us in our need
Thank you God that you are there
for us we hear your words
you will seek me and find me
When you search for me
will all your heart

We need not fear the trouble around us
as long as the eye of the Lord is on us
Shine as lights in the world
Holding fast the word of life

Lift up your eyes on high
and see who has created
these things

The Lord is good to
those who wait for Him.
Lord you are a God of wonder, may my life draw others to see and worship you.

God help me understand your heart which is always good and always for me and to follow you with all that is in me.

Lord I could never begin to truly appreciate the whole of your grace but let me grow deeper in understanding it.

Lord cleanse your living temple your church and my life and fill us with your spirit.
Draw me near to your heart and help me to bring your light to a world in darkness.

Lord help me to allow your light to search my heart as I read your word, may I hear your message to me.

Lord as I come to your word I want to hear your heart, I want to walk with you in the way of love you paid a terrible cost to walk in truth but you did it for the sake of love.

Help me to be a person of love and truth.
When my hope is lost and my faith is weak, I will rest in the one thing I know and that is your love.

Thank you that you are writing your story in my life.
I purpose to be faithful to share it.

You are working in my life and I want to let the world know.
Fill me with your boldness so that I may speak words of life.

Remind me that the power of life and death are in my words and help me to speak life.
Jesus let me rest deeply in you and find strength
to follow you into the world.

Lord thank you that you enter into my pain
as well as my joy

Father this I know: you are good and you work
good for those you love

Lord help me to know your heart is always
for my good and that I can trust you
EVEN when I donot understand.
Father, it is easy to see the problem that others have with loving one's money. But I knew I have my own struggles too. I need your help to learn thankfulness for all that you have given. Grow in me an attitude of contentment in you.

Help us Lord not to think that we can go through life without others. Cure us of our independent spirit. Use us to bless others and humble us to accept encouragement. A word of encouragement can make the difference between giving up or going on.
Love was when God became a man.

I am enclosing a new novel (or story, poem, etc.) for your review. I hope you find it enjoyable and worthy of response.

Thank you for your time. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Larry Hodges
We always have God's attention.
If God cares for birds will He not care for His children?
When you're weary in life's struggles find you rest in the Lord.
Those who walk with God won't run from the needs of others.
God is our refuge.
When Christ forgives us our hearts are as clean as new-fallen snow.
May you know the peace of Christmas everyday of the year.
God made His name with us so that we might make our home with Him.
God's gift to a dying world is the Life-giving Savior.
you little is a lot when you give you all
all to Jesus,
God with us! The birth of Christ brought God to man; the cross of Christ brings man to God.
Our soul find rest when it rests in God the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.
Praise is the song of a soul set free.
Humble work becomes holy work when its done for God.
To know Christ the Living Word is to love the Bible the Written Word.
God's gift is grace

Trust Jesus to show you how you can be used by Him.
WE GROW STRONG WHEN WE SERVE THE LORD
GIVE YOUR ALL TO CHRIST WHO GAVE HIS ALL FOR YOU.
God broke into human history to offer us the gift of salvation!
God loves us too much to let us remain as we are. Love your neighbor as yourself.
Jesus' name and mission are the same he came to save us.
You are to give him the name Jesus.
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Let us not become weary in doing good
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have
opportunity let us do good to all people
especially to those who belong to the family of believers.
He who conceals his sin will not prosper but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.
Pride only breeds quarrels but wisdom is found in those who take advice.
He who needs discipline shows the way to life.

But whoever ignores correction leads others astray.
Therefore, to one who knows the right thing to do.
And does not do it to him it is sin.
What about your salvation brings you the greatest joy? How does it make you feel knowing that your salvation is kept safe with God?
For just as the Body without the spirit is dead so also faith without works is dead.
Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does.
Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the wind blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the wind blew and beat against that house; and it fell with a great crash.
Trust in the Lord with all your heart and
lean not on your own understanding IN ALL
your ways
A Ckowledge Him and He shall direct your paths.
You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you because he trusts in you.
Since then you have been raised with Christ. Set your heart on things above where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above not on earthly things.
Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfector of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.
Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the Lord and on his law he meditates day and night.
When a man's ways are pleasing to the Lord, He makes even His enemies live at peace with Him.
But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added to you.
Trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord and do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness. But instead even expose them.
Walk in a manner worthy of the Lord
to please Him in all respects bearing fruit
in every good work and increasing in the
knowledge of God,
God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.
But I say, walk by the Spirit and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit and the Spirit against the flesh, for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.
Lord I want to be faithful to you
How I need your spirit and your life

Lord, you are worthy of all praise
You humbled yourself to the lowest place
Ask yourself what am I willing to suffer for Jesus?

You are the son of God, you are God the son
Are worthy, you are good.
Before you say or do something ask yourself

1. Will it help?
2. Is it designed to hurt?
3. How would I feel if someone did that to me?
4. Would I say that if that person were here?
5. Is it self-serving?
Lord, my heart is yours, my life is yours I am yours.
You are worth my all

What does it mean to you to fear the Lord?
Where do you go to meet with God?
Where do you put your hope when you are in need?
Purpose to keep God in His rightful place in the center of all.
Lord, we need your touch on our lives
work in our hearts in whatever are as need
a fresh start help us to do our part
and to trust you to do what only you can do.

If you'd like to know the love of God the Father
come to him through Jesus Christ his loving Son
He'll forgive your sins and save your soul forever
and you'll love for ever more this Faithful one.

O God my heart is filled with praise for all that you
have done for me you have changed the focus
and purpose of my life because you sent your Son
Thank you

Thank you Father that you are my place of rest
and that all you have brought me through
can be used by you to encourage others
bring praise to yourself through me

Dear Jesus, take my heart and hand
and grant me this I pray
that I through your sweet love may grow
more like you day by day

We're waiting for you Lord, to come
and take us home to be with you
your promise to return for us
gives hope because we know it's true
what you are guarding

Not only so but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance produces character, and character produces hope and hope does not disappoint us because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us.
How to your guard your heart

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.
How to guard your heart

Always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
WHY YOU QUARD YOUR HEART

THE GOOD MAN OUT OF THE GOOD TREASURE OF HIS HEART BRINGS FORTH WHAT IS GOOD; AND THE EVIL MAN OUT OF THE EVIL TREASURE BRINGS FORTH WHAT IS EVIL FOR HIS MOUTH SPEAKS FROM THAT WHICH FILLS HIS HEART.
Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the well spring of life.