Thirty Thousand Days

The Journey Home to God

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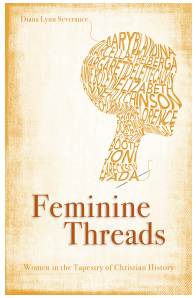


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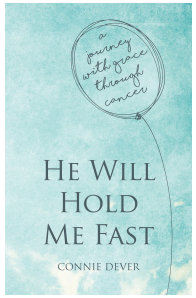
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The average human being lives approximately 30,000 days - which sounded like a long stretch of time until I did the math and discovered that, as of today, I will have lived 20,005 of mine. Catherine L. Morgan envisions these Thirty Thousand Days as a journey home, traveling on a rattle trap train toward a sure and certain future of abundance.

In the meantime, however, there is waiting, and there is heartbreak, and no matter how well we try to manage our journey, there is always regret. This following life, then, is one in which we look boldly at Solomon's cynical Old Testament pronouncement that "all is vanity" and "a chasing after the wind" - all the while trusting in Jesus' promise of an abundant life.

Living Well

Offering her own wisdom alongside that of others, Catherine lays down a cobblestone path of words for this journey gleaned from her personal reading of a broad range of authors and thinkers. She speaks out of the context of experiences gained through inner-city ministry with her family in an impoverished section of the sprawling Denver metro-area. Far from Chicken Soup for the Soul, her conclusions are a bracing cup of strong tea - no sugar.

If we want to live well within the gift of our thirty-thousand days:

We will walk purposefully.
We will offer up our hearts to care passionately.
We will open our hands to give generously and unclench our grasp from around the things of Earth.
We will love deeply because it is commanded - not because it is easy.
We will stand firmly in a dangerous faith.
Bold Questions

Pursuing "the things over which Christ presides" is a chasing after light, a darkness fighting strategy if ever there was one. And this is the gift of viewing our days on this planet as a temporary prelude to a glorious eternity. Childlike, we will ask questions that promote a bold following:

Why not read Psalm 37 with a reckless abandon? What would it be like to wholeheartedly trust, dwell, do good, and delight? Can I even imagine a life without fretting?