

"...that they might
be called trees of
righteousness"



My family and I called my mother yesterday to wish her a happy 88th birthday. At least that is our best guess as to her age... she is a little coy on the exact number herself. Needless to say at 80 plus years of age she has experienced much, including even the Great Depression and World War II. What caught me was her comment that she has never experienced anything like this situation we now find ourselves in.

These are unique and challenging times that probably none of us have ever experienced. In some way, this offers me some comfort. There are few if any precedents or prior experiences we or our leaders can call on in choosing how we deal with these present challenges. I am even more comforted knowing that I have a savior who is in control and who will use this to strengthen me and help me grow.

I know there is great uncertainty right now, lots of questions and even some fear but I would like to challenge us all to turn to our Lord and take comfort in His promise to never forsake us and that he offers us a sense of peace in a troubled world.

Consider:

John 16:33
I Peter 5:7
Philippians 4:7
Matthew 11:28-30
John 14:27

Have a great day. Enjoy your family and those you are with.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Jonathan R. Retz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "J".

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