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From the Heart of the Director

One heart at a time...one life at a time

Change. Few of us like it; many of us fear it; most of us try to prevent it. And yet, change is all around us. If we have learned anything from COVID-19 over the last three months, **change is everywhere.**

Change is necessary. While not all change is negative, it is a topic we talk a lot about at the Center. A mom in a parenting class is learning to adjust to the changes of her growing baby, toddler, or teenager. A dad is reprioritizing his responsibilities to nurture and meet the changing needs of his growing family. Parents making changes for the children to continue schooling at home. These are just a few examples of change that are good and produce fruit that is necessary for growth and improvement.

Fear of Change: But when a client comes in for a pregnancy test, oftentimes she is fearful about how much her life is going to change if the test is positive. She'll express a variety of different fears: fear of an unknown future, fear of financial instability or insecurity, fear of losing her boyfriend, fear of not being able to finish school, fear of dreams slipping away, or fear of the responsibility of bringing a baby into the world. *She fears life will be different.* Her response: "I'm not ready to have a baby," or "I didn't plan for this to happen." Fear can grip the heart and boggle the mind causing her to do the wrong thing. *She fears change because her future is uncertain.*

It's interesting to recognize that some of her fears are the same fears that have propagated **change** in our lives because of COVID-19.

Unchangeable Truth: How should we respond to changes that impact our lives? What hope can we share with those who fear change and an uncertain future? We look to and point others to the One who never changes. "For I the Lord do not change..." (Mal. 3:6) "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today and forever." (Heb. 13:8). Freedom from fear of change results not from the absence of change but from the presence of an unchanging God. "Fear not...for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." (Josh. 1:9)

Corrie Ten Boom once said, "Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God." "In God I have put my trust; I shall not be afraid." (Ps. 56:11)

Therefore, we can rest in knowing there is an all-wise, unchanging, all sovereign Overseer, and everything that comes to pass is ordained by our good and gracious heavenly Father. All that He has promised He will do, and that which He has ordained will come to pass and none of His purposes can be thwarted.

The greatest comfort any of us can have—no matter how frightening or dismaying this world may be—is that Jesus is with us always, even to the end of the age.

Kathryn Enloe
Director

"Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41:10)



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