Our Part in God's Army

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> "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." (Galatians 6:9, NIV)

A Prophetic Picture of God's Army

I saw a picture of an army camp, and each soldier was very busy. Some were bandaging wounds, some were giving orders and training, while others were writing instructions. Some were speaking kindly and gently to those who were afraid, others were cooking food, handing out blankets and clothes, and others were playing instruments. There were those who were being carried by others, and then there were some standing looking around, not knowing what to do. And then there were those who took turns standing guard and watching over the others. There were those who were counting everyone to ensure that they were all safe. Some soldiers were taking new recruits under their wing; showing them the ropes. And then there were those soldiers who were coming in from the battlefield and needing to be strengthened and encouraged. And then I also saw some who were just standing still.

An Encouragement to the Women in God's Army

And then I saw the General of this great army looking out over His army, knowing exactly where each one was and what each one was doing. And from this picture, I feel that the Lord wanted to remind each of us of the following:

1. He Sees You

In the midst of this big army, He sees you! In the midst of this crazy busyness, He sees you! He sees your thoughts, your worries, your insecurities, your concerns. For some, I feel He specifically sees your concern for your children. He sees your tears, dreams and desires – even your disappointments and struggles. He sees and He knows.

2. There Is Beauty in The Diversity in This Great Army of God

Each part reflects something different of God. It does not matter WHAT the part is that you play in His army; what matters is that you play it! No matter how big or small it is in your eyes, YOU are needed and YOU are invaluable. Some who I saw were those who were looking around, not knowing what to do. Perhaps that is you – feeling insecure. I encourage you to find your place! Stop looking around to see who you should be like or who you would like to be like! Believe in the gift that God has put in YOU! Whether it is singing or speaking kind words, encouraging others or mending broken hearts – find what the Lord has put in your hand, use it and walk in it with joy.

3. Sometimes We Need to Be Carried

Whether it is in prayer, for help, or to have an opportunity to pour out our hearts concerning the burdens that we carry, or to confess sin. Perhaps you are in a season where you are being tempted or are struggling in your marriage or other areas – open up and talk! Don't let shame or fear hold you back – confess and be vulnerable so that healing and breakthrough can come into your life.

4. Stand Firm!

The Bible says in Ephesians 6:13, "And having done all – stand!" Perhaps you have been through a rough season and are a bit wounded. You have done all that you can – now you are just standing firm and holding your ground. Keep doing it! Don't give up! Don't lose heart, because at the right time the Lord will reward you.

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This is the beauty of the army of God, and you are an essential part! We must be united in loving one another, standing together, with each one doing their part. So that together, as His soldiers – building up and strengthening the bride of Christ, His church – by the gifts that have been put in us – we can continue to press forward in unity into what He has called us to do and to be.

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