Hep C Treatment: Not in Battle Alone

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Throughout Hep C Treatment we are not in battle alone. Above all we have one who has gone before us and prepared our journey and by our side constantly. When I began my Hep C treatment with triple therapy last year, I knew it would be a great challenge.

With faith in God I knew He had gone before me to prepare every moment I would face and He would provide what was needed at every turn. Did I deal with fear? Yes indeed. But I learned we can walk through the valley of darkness not because of the absence of fear, but in spite of it.

As long as we draw breath on this earth fear will always be among us. It was not in my strength I dealt with fear, but in His. We have the choice to allow it to tie us into knots or make the proclamation, “But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, ”You are my God." My times are in your hands. Psalm 31:14-15 NIV

Hep C does not have the power to number and control our days. Only God does. Yes, it is a real enemy. But God has a plan and He has prepared us for this battle, and He is by our side the entire journey. Just like the Israelites faced battle with their enemies, so do we. The names and faces may have changed but not God. "Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours but God’s. 2 Chronicles 20:15 NIV

Each week as I came to another Mile Marker representing another week of completing treatment, I checked it off of my calendar with zest. I visualized driving a flag in the ground representing victory. I drew strength and confidence from God’s word. On days when I felt my strength depleted, I said to myself, “The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.” Lamentations 3:24 NIV

There were days I wasn’t sure if I would make it to the next week. When I faltered I would go back to His word and take a verse I would go over and over for the week. He never failed to give me the strength I needed to keep going. Proclamations are vital in battle. This week our special scripture of the week is one of my favorites. I hope you make it your proclamation this week.

I have set the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Psalm 16:8 NIV

Our featured song for this week is, Healer by Kari Jobe. May you sing this in your heart as you press forward this week.

What are you faced with a challenge this week?

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