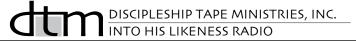
Russell Kelfer The Miracle of "Plan B"

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The quarterback came out of the huddle with confident assurance. This play was virtually invincible. It had never been used in a conference game, and this was the perfect setting for it. It was third and nineteen. The ball was on the Eagles' forty-six yard line. The Bears had one time out left, and there was only fifty-nine seconds to play. The two point deficit made it imperative that the Bears at least get into field goal range.

Allen Kwikarm, the Bear quarterback called the play. He clapped his hands triumphantly as he ran from the huddle. The ball was snapped. Allen was to move to his right, look to his left, cock his arm as if to throw to Neville Neverdrop, who was running at 180 miles per hour down the left side of the field. But just as the ball was about to be released, he was to lateral it to Sonny Substitute, a defensive end who played quarterback in high school, who would, instead of throwing to Neville, look right instead, and toss a game winning TD to Sammy Stickyfingers who was running unnoticed down the right side of the field.

There was only one hitch. Allen missed the snap from center. The ball bounced hopelessly to the turf, where twenty-two grunting monsters proceeded to attack it simultaneously. All Allen could do was try to fall on it along with everyone else. Fortunately, Harry Heavyweight, the Bear center found the ball, and fell on it with such gusto that he knocked the wind out of himself and had to be carried off the field. The play had failed. All those weeks of planning. All those secret scrimmages. All those blackboard "what ifs" meant nothing. It was fourth down, time was running out, and Allen himself, instead of being nominated for the Heisman, was to be nominated as "Goat of the Year".

The team huddled for the fourth down play. They all looked around. They waited for Allen to call the play. They waited. And waited. The whistle blew. "Too much time". Another penalty. Then they looked again. Allen couldn't call the play. He was gone. Disgusted, he had walked into the dressing room, thrown his helmet to the ground, and begun to weep. When interviewed later, he exclaimed. "I failed. Why go on?"

Why indeed. On the next play, the substitute quarterback,

who was to have thrown the trick pass, took the ball from center on fourth down, threw a bomb into the end zone right into the hands of his waiting receiver, and the Bears won the game. Allen, meanwhile, was sulking in the dressing room, mourning the defeat that hadn't even happened yet. He couldn't handle failure. To him that play was all or nothing. So when it failed, he left the game, dejected. Now I know you football fans have no mercy for Allen. He not only doesn't deserve the Heisman, he doesn't deserve to play. Right?

Just one problem. Allen is not that much different from Chris or Connie Christian. Or you. Or me. He handled failure about the way most of us do. He decided that if the one thing in life that was a dead cinch failed, he might as well pack up and head home. What else could he do? Well, he could have stayed around for "Plan B". He could have gone back out on the field like a man and realized that giving up was a lot worse than losing. It was the absence of character.

We're going to look at a few of the "Plan B's" of life in this study. We're going to try to see that the difference between success and failure in God's eyes is not how many trick plays we pull off, but whether or not we stay on the field until the game is over.

We've been moving through some very shark-ridden waters these last few chapters in an attempt to better understand the incredible ways of our God and the marvelous things that await us when we begin to comprehend His sovereignty and how it works. We looked first of all at the power in our past. And by looking at Joseph, we saw that God's plan for Joe's life was not at all what we would have planned. And yet we saw how, at every turn, those very things that seemed so tragic in his life were the keys to unfolding the nature of God and the plan of God for Joseph. Satan meant it for evil. But *God meant it for good*. And Beloved, what God means for good, He means for good.

We then looked at the principle of weakness. And we determined that not only does God overlook our weaknesses, He actually delights in our weaknesses, and asks that we do the same. For while the world glories in its strengths, the Word glories in our weaknesses, for the weaker we are, the more we are able to let God's strength infuse us and use us.

To say that these two principles run cross-grained to the

ways of man is one of life's great understatements. They are 180 degrees at odds with all that the world calls "sensible". That assures us they are of God. In this study, we take our look at God's sovereignty in circumstances one step further. We look at how God uses even our mistakes and failures to accomplish His purposes, and how Satan has sold us the lie that there is no "plan B". There is not only a "plan B", Beloved, there is a "plan C" and a "plan D" and a "plan ZZZ" as well. God doesn't give up because we fail. And by looking at the lives of some of His living legends, I trust we will come experientially to believe that before we're through.

Our study has three parts:

- I- Weakness Transformed
- II- The Criteria of Character
- III- The Miracle of "Plan B"

WEAKNESS TRANSFORMED

In our last study, we looked at the concept of turning weakness into strength, and learned that the very experiences in our lives that we so regret are God's greatest tools to make us like Himself. One of the most penetrating statements in all of Scripture in that regard is found in Hebrews where it is said of Jesus:

Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered. (Hebrews 5:8)

You and I are caught up in the world's concepts of what is experientially "good" and "bad". God's concepts are almost the opposite. We actually learn *obedience by the things which we suffer*. Secular counselors will argue that the deep problems in our personalities and in our behavior are the direct result of traumas or abuses or rejections in our childhood. We need not disagree. What they overlook, however, is that *the negative traits*, those incidents produced, *are character in the making*. Granted, apart from the transforming power of Jesus Christ, they are hopeless scars, left upon our very beings, and there really does appear no hope for change.

But Paul said:

If any man be in Christ, He is [becoming] a brand new person. Old things are [passing] away. All things are [becoming] new." (II Corinthians 5:17 paraphrase)

That doesn't sound like an incurable disease. It sounds like a marvelous beginning of the process in which the caterpillar of life becomes a butterfly. The essence of the problem is that most Christians miss the connection between the negative trait and the positive quality that God wants to actually produce through it. That is what we want to look at. Moses suffered a lack of self-confidence which led to self-abasement. The world would write him off. God took that self-abasement and turned it into humility and meekness, until he became the meekest man in all the earth. Peter was a man characterized by bluntness, indiscretion, outspokenness. Ah, but when God took control of those qualities He turned them into honesty, frankness, and the ability to communicate. That's why I and II Peter are filled with such clear, practical instruction. Paul was conceited and overbearing by his own admission before Christ became sole owner of his heart. He was sure He was the one who could. He was filled with revenge and hostility. Killing Christians was his prime expression of religiosity. But when God took those same negative traits and filled them with Himself, Paul became a man of quiet confidence, boldness, and faith. Likewise James and John saw their possessiveness and over-attachment turned to lovalty. Thomas saw his hardheadedness and stubbornness turned into resoluteness.

The key is that every negative trait is a positive quality misused. It is a potential strength built into a man or woman by God that is misdirected in the flesh; but which can be "transformed" into godliness by the Spirit. So when you are struggling over your children's weaknesses, or your mate's weaknesses, or better still, your own; consider this: They are not a reason to grieve. They are a platform from which to pray. For God has given you a negative waiting to be developed. Through prayer and discipleship, you can see those very undesirable characteristics transformed before your very eyes into the likeness of Christ. This chart will give you an example of some of the negative traits and their corresponding positive qualities:

NEGATIVE TRAIT	GODLY QUALITY	DEFINED
Over-inquisitive, jumpy	Alertness	Quick to meet needs
Pettiness, overly detailed	Analytical	Discern details
Over emotional	Compassionate	Sensitive to others

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NEGATIVE TRAIT	GODLY QUALITY	DEFINED
Overbearing, cocky	Confidence	Godly boldness
Mischievous, devious	Creative	Express insights
Inflexible, dominant	Decisive	Make wise choices
Judgmental, critical	discerning	Able to evaluate
Rigidness, unbending	Disciplined	Orderly in details
Fanatical, aggressive	Enthusiasm	Productive joy
Wordy, melodramatic	Expressiveness	Communication
Indecisiveness, weakness	Flexibility	Able to adapt
Extravagance, wasteful	Generosity	Able to share
Stingy, miserly	Frugality	Able to conserve
Self-critical, not confident	Humility	Able to serve
Blind obedience	Loyalty	Faithfulness
Insensitive	Objectivity	Able to discern
Touchiness, easily offended	Sensitivity	Able to empathize
Lazy, slothful or irresponsible	Restfulness	Confidence in God's provision
Lustful and impure behavior or thought	Spiritual love	Reflect Scriptural affectin to one of God's choice, physical or spiritual
Continually burdened down	Prayerfulness	Accept other's burdens and communicate needs to God
Unfaithful or inconsistent	Steadfastness	Freedom, absence of bondage to legalism or things

So it is that the very unattractive traits we see in ourselves and in those we care about are merely stepping-stones to the very qualities God has chosen to magnify Himself through. And if His strength is made perfect in weakness, who can take the glory when these transformations begin to be evident? Nobody but God. And that is precisely the point.

THE CRITERIA OF CHARACTER

What then, are we to do? How can we see the very traits we so despise actually become transformed before our very eyes? The secret, I believe, lies in our concept of character. Do we understand how God works when it comes to changing lives? God changes lives by infusing His nature into us, (to the degree that we allow it). He actually replaces our character with His. Most Christians feel that if they can change their behavior, they can ultimately change their character. But you can behave by obedience, and twenty years later still not be any different. It is Christ in us who makes the difference, and our part in the process, is three fold. If we short-circuit any one of the three, we allow ourselves to operate in the realm of behavior without real change taking place.

Learning to Pray for Character

What then are those three areas of participation? The first criterion is learning to pray for character, rather than circumstances. Most believers feel that real prayer involves holding up to God a seemingly inevitable circumstance, and invoking God's power to intervene. And there are certainly a few instances in the Old Testament where that kind of prayer was effective. But the pattern of prayer in the New Testament was decidedly different. Read the prayers of Jesus in Matthew 6 and in John 17. Read the prayers of Paul in Ephesians 1, and Ephesians 3 and Philippians 1 and Colossians 1.

Paul prayed:

For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance. (Colossians 1:9-12)

Have you ever stopped to count the character qualities Paul prays for in each of his prayers? He did not pray that persecution

would stop. He did not pray that the building fund for the new Colossian church would succeed. He did not pray that attendance would double. He did not pray that every one would find a job. He prayed for:

Spiritual wisdom Spiritual understanding Spiritual knowledge Spiritual fruitfulness Spiritual strength

Spiritual power

Spiritual patience

Spiritual joyfulness

And all because the Colossians had been made partakers of a spiritual inheritance.

Paul's prayers were for the mind of Christ. His driving prayer for himself was not that he would get out of prison, or get a comfortable pastorate, or even be spared from death. His prayer was that "I may know Him, the power of His resurrection, the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death." Paul wanted to be changed. He wanted the inner man to be so transparently God's that when men saw him they saw Christ. He wanted a kind of divine energy that was so evident that it demonstrated resurrection power. He wanted to suffer with Christ so he could become like Christ. He wanted his character changed.

Is that how you pray? Is that how you pray for others? for yourself? If not, why not? When you pray for the character of God you pray according to the will of God. And John said

And this is the confidence we have in Him that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us:

And if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him.

(I John 5:14,15)

You say, "I wish I knew how to pray and know God will answer." Here's how: Pray according to the will of God. You don't know if it's the will of God for your friend to get that job. But you do know he needs patience. If it's the will of God for him not to get that job in order for God's patience to be revealed to him and

through him, you don't want him to get that job, do you? But if you ask God to give him discernment, patience and joy as he looks for a job, you know you are asking according to the will of God, and God has bound Himself to answer.

And as God's patience and joy begin to flow, who can get the glory? No one but God. Men can arrange jobs, but men can't arrange character. So learn to pray for the will of God. Learn to build your prayer list around character. Here is an example of how to create a prayer list around the concept of character:

PERSON	QUALITY	VERSE TO CLAIM
Aunt Josie	joy	John 15:11
Uncle Bill	peace	John 14:27
Mary	contentment	I Timothy 6:6
Jim	gentleness	James 3:17
Harry	meekness	Colossians 3:12
Grandpa	steadfastness	I Corinthians 15:58

To do that effectively, you need to start a character notebook, or at least develop a character worksheet to keep with your prayer list. In it, you list the qualities of godliness defined in Scripture, their definitions, and some verses to claim. Here is a mini-example:

Availability-	The act of maintaining a state of readiness to
	do the will of God. (Isaiah 6:8, Ruth 1:16,
	I Samuel 3·7-10)

Faithfulness-	Being consistent in your expression of faith.
	(Proverbs 25:19; I Timothy 1:12;
	Proverbs 20:6: II Timothy 2:2)

Gentleness-	The spirit that responds with consistent love
	on all occasions. (James 3:17;
	I Thessalonians 2:7; Galatians 5:23;
	II Timothy 2:24)

<u>Humility</u> -	The Position of accepting last place as
	deserved. (James 4:10; I Peter 5:5,6;
	Proverbs 15:33; 25:6,7; 27:2; 29:23)

ModestyThat quality of discretion that never calls attention to itself. (I Peter 3:2-5;
I Timothy 2:9)

Peace-

That inner tranquility of God that defies human understanding because it is unaffected by outer circumstances. (John 14:27; John 16:33; Philippians 4:6,7; Isaiah 26:3)

The key is to start with a skeleton list, and as you spend time in God's word, add to it additional qualities and references as you find them.

The main thing is to begin to think in terms of character—in your own life, and in your prayer life. Then you will begin to see that God really does change lives.

Learn to Meditate in the Word

Learning to pray for God's character ought to lead to a second step: learning to meditate in God's Word. It is the Word of God that changes character. That's what II Corinthians meant when it said:

And all of us, as with unveiled face, [because we] continue to behold [in the Word of God] as in a mirror, the glory of the Lord, are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another: [for this comes] from the Lord [Who is] the Spirit. (II Corinthians 3:18 Amp NT)

Our eyes are opened as we read God's Word. Our lives are transformed as we meditate upon it, and the more we breathe His Word, the more of His character we appropriate. It is not instantaneous. It is a process. From one degree of glory to another. It is a spiritual process because it comes through the Spirit.

That's what Joshua meant when he said:

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein...

(Joshua 1:8)

He meant that the power to understand who God is and become what God is depends on the personal appropriation of the living breath of God, which is His Word.

So first you ask God to change you (whatever it takes). Then you breathe His Word day and night so it can cleanse you, and renew you, and transform you.

Learn to Rejoice at What God Decides to Use

And then, finally, you learn to rejoice at whatever it takes to change you. You learn experientially, to "In everything give thanks". Why? Because you know that God is answering prayer. And that's cause for thanksgiving. You ask Him to give you patience. He sends you tribulation. You meditate in His word. It says "the trying of your faith develops patience". You begin to rejoice.

"Thank you, Lord, for answering my request for patience. If this is what, in your sovereign pleasure, you know it will take, I praise you for loving me enough to allow this to happen."

No, the world won't understand. Don't even bother to try to make them. This is not the stuff the world was meant to understand. These are the "higher ways" of God. And the fact that they are the very antithesis of man's wisdom only confirms their validity.

THE MIRACLE OF "PLAN B"

Which brings us to the final issue: "The Miracle of Plan B." If God is in the weakness business, and if He uses weakness to transform us into His Likeness, and if in the process, what He is after is character, not circumstances, then we must come to understand that there is nothing that ever happens to us that He cannot use to that end.

Therefore, even our seemingly ridiculous wrong choices; our stupid mistakes, our deliberate wanderings are not enough to totally thwart His plan for our lives. Always there is a way back. Always there is an alternate plan. Always there is another chance to begin again. Yes, we may miss some blessings; and yes, we may waste valuable time; and yes, we may hurt innocent people and be grieved. But once it is done, and we have asked His forgiveness, He instigates another set of creative options for us to follow. He alters the map once again, to give us a chance to be blessed and used.

The enemy hates this concept. He wants us to believe that once we have pulled our trick play out of the hat and dropped the ball, the game is over. He wants us to believe that there's only one chance to find God's will, and if you miss that chance, it's over. The problem is: he is, as always defying Scripture and altering the character of God.

God began in Genesis unfolding the "Miracle of Plan B". He had a miraculous design for this universe and a perfect setting for Adam and Eve to build their lives, their home, and their ministry. Eve made a wrong choice. This one was deliberate and in clear opposition to everything God had told her. She did it anyway. She paid a price. We've paid a price. But That wasn't the end of mankind, and it wasn't the end of Adam and Eve's life, family, or ministry. Enter "Plan B". God took the remains of His plan, and introduced an alternate program designed in eternity past called "salvation".

Moses made a horrible mistake. He had been chosen by God, taken through incredible circumstances from his birth to his education to his adopted family. Then he got his big chance. Instead of becoming a hero, he became a murderer. God sent him into exile, and unfolded "Plan B". It involved the development of character; the kind that could only be cured on the side of a mountain herding his father-in-law's sheep. But God went with him to that hillside, and stayed with him until he had God's mind. And then when he was ready to enter an old folks' home, God called him. Now he was ready. He had stayed in the game until he thought he could all but hear the final whistle blow. Then out of nowhere, God said, "Mo, now it's time for you to go out and watch me win the game."

Mo said, "Me, Lord? I blew my big chance." God answered, "Yes, Mo, and now you're ready for Me to do it. Let's go." And the meekest man in all the earth became the most powerful man in all the earth because he stayed in place for "Plan B".

Look at Abraham. God made him a promise. Abe promised to wait. He didn't. He interrupted the progression of faith that was unfolding in the plan of God. He tried to help God out. He became an adulterer. He defied God's principles and God's plan. Enter plan "B". God still used him, and in a mighty way.

Look at Jonah. God called him into the ministry. He refused to go. Enter plan "B". God has His ways. Jonah went to Ninevah. Not on the first round, but before it was over, he went. God didn't give up because his man said "no". He cares more than that.

Look at David. A man after God's own heart. He was on top of the world, with the whole of the kingdom at his command. Then he looked once too often, and made a horrible choice. He committed adultery. He defied the holiness of God and was presumptuous

with God's calling. End of a life? End of a ministry? No. Enter "Plan B". God, you see, wasn't finished with David. And so He forgave him and cleansed him and disciplined him and used him again. And it is that forgiven David whose soul poured out those Psalms that call our hearts back to God. And all because God has a plan "B".

Look at Peter. One of the "insiders". To him had been entrusted the very words of life. He had walked and talked with God Himself. He had been chosen as the spokesman for the leadership team. His was a life with a future. Then the clouds formed overhead. The hour of testing came. And Peter made a mess. A big mess. He lied. He cursed. He denied that he even knew the Living God. The end? No, the beginning. Enter "Plan B". The very God he had denied prayed for him, and restored him, and challenged him, and entrusted him with a ministry beyond our understanding.

Look at Paul. Talk about a vicious enemy. He persecuted the church, stoned its people, hunted them down like savage beasts, and killed them. By human reasoning, he never should have been trusted; he should have been executed. Enter Plan "B". And this terrorist, whose whole life revolved around destroying what God was attempting to do, was chosen to become the captain of the team.

Out of the ash heaps of wrong choices, deliberate disobedience, and willful apostasy came the men and women who moved mountains, won wars, called fire from heaven, parted seas, preached to thousands, and turned the course of history.

Had our God no "Plan B", they'd all have been destined to life's graveyards of defeat. Were the sovereignty of God not more powerful than the mistakes of man, none of us would have a chance. But God doesn't work that way. He has a plan and a purpose for every life. He has a message and a ministry for every man and woman who calls Him Savior. And He knows we will, somewhere along the way, trip and fall. He doesn't plan it. But He knows it. And when we do, our gracious Lord tenderly turns to us and putting His loving arms about us, picks us up, draws us near, and says, "Let's try that again. How about Plan B".

You are probably saying "But I'm the exception. God can't use the likes of me." You're listening to the voice of the enemy, Beloved. God's Word says seventy times seven He forgives. The

Word says He ever liveth to make intercession for us. The Word says, As far as the east is from the west, He has cast your sins behind Him.

You are not finished. And the game isn't over. Maybe you had your big chance, and fumbled. Maybe you've had ten big chances, and never made a first down. Maybe you think, like Moses, you've tended sheep so long in the desert, you wouldn't know how to act in the marketplace anyway. So you relegate yourself to the locker room of life and wait for the whistle to blow. What a waste.

You have forgotten "The Miracle of Plan B". Or C Or D. Or E. or whatever letter you are on. God may have run out of letters and started on numbers, I don't care. He's not through with you. He's not finished yet. So long as you have breath to breathe, you are a candidate to play in God's great bowl game, and the more mistakes you've made, the more likely He may be to send you into the game at a crucial point, because you know "It is not in you". You know that if anything is going to happen, it will have to happen supernaturally.

And, Beloved, that's what qualifies you to take the ball on fourth and long and throw it toward the end zone of eternity.

If you have been struggling to accept the forgiveness of God and believe that the plan of God for you could still include spiritual greatness and spiritual victory, you've been deceived. You've been tricked. You've left the field of play too soon.

Maybe you've directly disobeyed the will of God. So did Adam. He got another chance. Maybe you've committed a horrible crime. So did Moses. He got another chance. Maybe you've jumped ahead of the timing of God and made a terrible mess. So did Abraham. He got another chance. Maybe you've refused to respond to God's call for your life. So did Jonah. He got another chance. Maybe you've had sweet, intimate fellowship with God for even years, then kicked the traces, defied His laws and rejected His counsel. Maybe you've even denied you knew Him. So did Peter. He got another chance. Maybe you've turned the venom of your bitterness towards the church and its leadership and destroyed what God came to build. So did Paul. He got another chance.

The sovereignty of God includes taking the mistakes of life and weaving them together into a new plan and a new pattern. It

doesn't mean no sowing and reaping. That may well go on. But it does mean you aren't washed up. They aren't retiring your number yet. God has still another plan for taking what exists in your life message and with a careful stroke of the brush of His love, He charts out still another course of joy for you. It may not be the same road you would have taken. It may not reach the heights you would have reached. But, beloved, it's not a dead end. God does not draw those.

He does plan a few "U-turns". Maybe we should call them "You" turns. It means "You've gone far enough from the will of God. Stop. Fall down before Him and renew your desire to be in the center of His will and "you turn" around and head back to that spot on the highway of obedience where you deliberately took a side road and ended up in Disaster Gulch."

And He may be calling you to do that right now. Maybe, like Moses, you started out with visions of spiritual greatness and with the drum rolls of success burning in your heart. You were going to go out and conquer the world for Jesus. And then came that fateful day, and in utter defiance of God's plan, you made a terrible mistake. And maybe you've decided that God can't use the likes of you anymore. That's a lie. Come out of the mothballs of self-pity today, and crawl back up into the plan of God and say "Lord, here I am again. Use me." I promise you, He will. And the humility and dependency you've gained along life's side roads may well stand you in good stead once you're back on the road to victory.

Or maybe like Peter your defiance of God's ownership has been so blatant, your testimony has been destroyed and you're sure that God flinches when he so much as hears your name.

Beloved, when God picks you up and uses you again, it will be evident to those around you that God is doing it. They've seen the best you can do. Now let them see what He can do. They'll marvel.

The bottom line is that God isn't finished with you yet. If you've folded your tent, go dig it out and put it back up. God has a last-minute assignment you're not going to want to miss. If you've finished your life story and written "the end" at the bottom, put it back in God's Word Processor and use the "delete" button. God's got another chapter He hasn't even written yet.

He delights to use weakness to magnify His strength. And

He uses even our mistakes and our wrong choices, if need be, to develop His mind in us, and then having purged us of our dreams of greatness, He longs to send us back into the game of life as victors.

You say, "What a Plan!" What a plan, indeed. You say, "That's a miracle!" Indeed it is. It is the "Miracle of Plan B".

THE MIRACLE OF "PLAN B"

Our precious God has so much love That in His sovereign plan, To take and break and make of us God's woman or God's man.

He'll even use the things we do That break His loving heart; He'll pick us up, renew our joy And grant another start.

And when we think "there is no hope,,"
"There's nothing left for me";
Our loving Savior whispers,
"But what about 'Plan B'?"

You may have made some big mistakes, And paid a price, that's true. But, oh, dear one, God's got a plan, And He's not through with you.

Like Moses after all those years, He whispers, "Child, come near". It's not too late for greatness And you've no cause for fear.

The God who made you understands, He'll ne'er forsake His own; He knows that even through your wrongs, By grace, your heart has grown.

Stand still, Beloved, raise your eyes Look towards heaven and see, God has yet one more miracle... The miracle of "Plan B".

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