

# The Faith Script

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***“I lift my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and  
earth.” Psalm 121:1-2 (NIV)***

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Every morning my husband and I enjoy our breakfast while watching the birds at our feeders. When the snow covers the ground, they seem more appreciative of that food than in the summer, when nourishment is more plentiful. It’s interesting to watch them and observe their “pecking order” as well, seeing the bigger more aggressive birds swoop down and scare away the chickadees, nuthatches and juncos. Occasionally feathers fly as one bird gets greedier than others and wants it all. We humans can just imagine the conversations they are having: “get away from my food-you’re too small” and the like. But God cares for each of these just as He does for us. *“Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds!”* Luke 12:24 (NIV) Too often, we take for granted the love and care of our Lord for each of us. When things are going well, we forget to constantly thank Him. Is it only in times of trouble, doubt, and worry that we remember to call on Him?

With the start of each new year, most of us resolve to make improvements in various aspects of our lives. Like Paul, we struggle with what we know we should do and what we actually do. *“...for I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. For what I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing.”* Romans 7:18-19 (NIV) By the time you read this, perhaps you, too, have broken those resolutions you made at the beginning of 2014. But God doesn’t give up on us, thankfully. He is faithful and loving to us all the time. If only we could be faithful and loving to him in the same manner!

Do we really trust God in all aspects of our lives? I am a worrier, as my husband quickly confirms. I know that I need to “surrender all” to God—but it’s tough letting go. Looking back, it’s clear that God has always been there for me. He promised *“I will never leave you nor forsake you”*—and He hasn’t. Joshua 1:5 (NIV). A recent devotional I read centered on the theme of worry and anxiety. It hit home with me, and hopefully I will take its message to heart this year, laying down those problems and heeding the verses of Paul as he spoke to the people of Philippi: *“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”* Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)

So my challenge, to myself and to each of you, is to trust in God above all else, turn over the worries and anxieties of each day, and in all things give thanks always for the many blessings we continue to receive. By doing this, may each of us be the light in someone else’s darkness as we bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to those around us. Wishing you all a blessed and Christ-centered 2014.

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