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Recently, I read a story of a man who was walking along a mountain road. He saw an Indian lying in the middle of the road with his ear pressed to the ground. As he got closer to the Indian, he heard him speaking some words in broken English.

The man quickly leaned over to hear what the Indian was saying. The Indian was mumbling, "Truck, Chevy truck, Chevy pick-up truck ... big tires, tall man driving, German shepherd in front seat ... loaded with firewood, California license tag, UBH 137."

Well, as you imagine, the man was absolutely astounded. He looked at the Indian and said, "That's unbelievable. Do you mean that you can tell all of that by just listening to the ground?" The Indian replied, "Oh, No ... truck just ran over me thirty minutes ago."

Life is sometimes a lot like that. We don't always see what is coming down the road. Suddenly without warning, it comes. When it arrives, it runs right smack over us! Did you ever have a day when it felt like you'd been run over by a loaded pick-up truck on a one-lane road? You never even saw it coming!

Romans 8:28 is a great verse to know when you've been run over in the road of life. It is one of the most quoted and claimed verses in the entire Bible. **R.A. Torrey** described it as a "soft pillow for a tired heart." The verse reads, "*And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.*"

Everything just doesn't "work out" for everybody on this earth! God made the promise of Romans 8:28 exclusively to His children, to those who are wrapped up in a love affair with Him.

- **We may not always know what God is doing in our lives ...**
- **We may not always like what God is doing in our lives ...**
- **We can be assured that God is doing something in our lives ...**

We can know that God is causing every bit of it to work out for our good.

God is somehow everywhere in everything and in every place always causing every single situation in my life to turn for my best.

God sees what is coming down life's road before it ever gets to me. God provides for that moment and somehow sees that it fits into His ultimate plan for my life.

There are really no accidents on the road of life for the child of God. He takes every piece of life's puzzle and makes it fit perfectly into His great design for my life. His plan cannot fail. God has already made adequate provision for those unexpected moments that catch me by surprise.

I must admit, everything that happens in life is not always "good." This world is not heaven and sometimes life stinks! The promise of Romans 8:28 is that everything that does happen will ultimately work together for good. God takes the worst of life and makes it into our ultimate good. What I may call a "bad" thing is ultimately orchestrated for my best!

Remember the little saying: "**Lord, help me remember that nothing is going to happen today that You and I can't handle.**"

Life is always best when it is handled by Him!

*Greatly encourages,
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