

God in yesterday, today, and tomorrow

by Ada Brownell

“The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.” – Deuteronomy 31:7-9 (NIV)

Often as we look for a job, fear tries to take hold of us. Yet, when we look back at the Lord’s faithfulness, even hard times of the past, we can face the future with peace!

His eye is still on the sparrows and even the hairs of our heads. Oh, the Ultimate Liar and Spinner of Untruth tries to get us to look at our defeats and forget the triumphs. Like the Children of Israel who quickly forgot walking through the Red Sea on dry ground, our worries for the future sometimes loom larger than the greatness of the Lord in every one of our yesterdays.

My friend from American Christian Fiction Writers, novelist Vannetta Chapman, said, “Next year is gonna be amazing. I still see God winking -- and saying ‘trust me’.” She’s already trusted Him, and her book, *A Simple Amish Christmas*, is a christianbook.com best seller. She’s author of the book, *Falling to Pieces—A Quilt Shop Murder. A Shipshewana Amish Mystery* has a 2011 release.

But like most authors, Vannetta has experienced rejection. Thousands of novels written by aspiring writers lie as loose pages in boxes in closets and will never see the light of day. Yet, this novelist stirs her faith, keeps writing, and trusts.

Sooner or later, rejection happens with most jobs. Perhaps it’s during a meeting when others shoot down your ideas, perhaps it’s the rejection of an author’s submitted manuscript, or perhaps it’s the rejection of losing your job.

When we’re unemployed, we keep filling our resumes, requesting appointments, and eventually finding success!

Corrie Ten Boom said, “Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.”

So, we can go into job interviews with Jesus by our side, knowing He directs our steps. We leave fear behind, make a decision to believe in ourselves and our faithful Lord, and know God will supply our needs.