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Your Lord Precedes You

“But after I have been resurrected, I will go ahead of you to Galilee.”

Mark 14:28 (HCSB)

God never sends you into a situation alone. He always goes before His children, as He did with the children of Israel when He led them with a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. You do not serve as His advance troops in a foreign and hostile situation. He always precedes you in any situation you encounter. God is never caught by surprise by your experience; He has already been there. He is prepared to meet every need because He has gone before you and knows exactly what you will need for your pilgrimage (*Deut. 31:8*).

Not only does God go *before* you, but He also stands *beside* you and *behind* you, to provide protection and comfort (*Ps. 139:7-12*). Jesus knew His disciples would be totally bewildered by His crucifixion, so He assured them in advance that no matter what happened, no matter where they went, they could go in confidence that He had already gone before them. Paul, too, experienced this assurance (*Acts 18:9; 23:11*). In the most bewildering circumstances, his Lord was there!

If you are going through a difficult or confusing time, know that your Lord has gone before you and He is present with you. He is fully aware of what you are facing, and he is actively responding to your need. **There is nowhere you can go that you will not find Christ waiting for you to join Him.** Even when you face death, you can be assured that He has gone before you in triumph. **As a child of God, rest in the knowledge that your Savior preceded you, and He will walk with you through each experience of your life. AMEN.**

Drs. Henry and Richard Blackaby

“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18 – 20

