

It's a New Day

Closing Devotion

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness (Lamentations 3:22-23).

Sometimes we're glad to see days come to a close. They've been hard, boring, or exhausting. We've heard bad news, or we've suffered a heartbreaking event. "Whew!" we sigh, and we look to a new day for better times.

Jesus' birth brought to the world a brand new day. It was the first day of His life on earth, a life that would bring Him the scorn and mockery of many who heard Him speak God's Word in truth. It would bring Him betrayal and beating and death on a cross in fulfillment of God's plan for our salvation. But His death was not His last day on earth! Three days later, Jesus rose, bringing to us victory over guilt and death, over hopelessness and despair.

No matter what the day brings, today is a day to rejoice. Jesus came to bring the gift of His grace and the assurance of a life in and with Him. He came so we can put the past behind us and delight in a brand new day.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, a new day dawned when You came down from heaven to earth, and now we can rejoice in You every day! Amen.

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