EVE - HEART BROKEN MOM OF THE BIBLE

If you are a heartbroken mom, you are in good company. Many (if not most) of the moms in the Bible had heartbreaking situations.

The first mom who ever lived was Eve. Her heartbreaking situation was her "tale of two sons."

One son was a criminal - a murderer. The other son was a homicide victim. Her son Cain killed his brother Abel.

Today, moms of shooters at schools must be heartbroken. Both the moms of the victims and moms of the shooters. Eve had this double heartbreak of a murderer son and a victim son.

She was all alone compared to us. She had no other moms, counselors, support groups, books, online support, etc., in her griefs.

Do you ever feel alone as a mom, especially during those rough times?

Jesus assures His children that He will never leave us or forsake us in Hebrews 13:5.

Cain was sent away from his parents by God, so evidently, they never saw him again.

Do you have an adult child far away from you? Can you relate to how Eve must have felt?

Psalms 34:18 says God is near to the brokenhearted and those crushed in spirit.

He says to pour out our hearts to Him in Psalms 62:8. We can tell him our anger, even our rage, our fear, our sadness, our hopeless feelings honestly. He already knows how we feel, and unlike humans, He is always there for us. He is powerful enough not to be upset by what we feel or say to Him.

Has God given you other children to raise? Or has He shown you meaningful activities or jobs you can do?

One job God had for Eve after the loss of her two sons was the birth of Seth. Jesus Christ was a descendant of Seth (through his stepfather Joseph.)

Did Eve realize God's plan through Seth? Evidently, whether she did or not, she faithfully did the next right thing which included raising Seth.

God used Eve as part of His plan for good for humanity. I believe He can and will do the same for us.

...though we have seasons of our lives that include being heartbroken moms...

Maybe partly even because of our heartbroken times - He will use us.

As we become closer to God through these times, we learn

and grow in wonderful ways. God is the Expert at bringing beauty from ashes in Isaiah 61:3.

We become wiser and more compassionate, and understanding of other heartbroken people.

Ecclesiastes 7:2 says it is better to be in the house of mourning instead of the house of laughter since we learn wisdom in mourning.

Please remember you are not alone. Remember you are in good company of women that God used in His mysterious, sometimes painful, but also joyful perfect plan.

Your season of heartbreak may evolve into other seasons of life that includes meaningful activities and fulfilling jobs.

You may look back over your life someday and see God's faithfulness and goodness. You may see how He used your heartbreak to help fulfill His plan for good, including to be a help and blessing to many other people.

Your season of heartbreak is not a permanent season. Like the barren, cold hard winter, that season eventually turns into spring. Our lives have seasons too, with wonderful purposes in each season.

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