



DEVOTION: June 25

*Seeing the Rainbow on the
Other Side of the Storm*
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A storm raged inside of me while waiting for an MRI earlier today. The MRI was in preparation for my knee replacement in a few months. I managed to hurt my witness by allowing my personal frustration to overcome me while wasting time in hospital waiting rooms.

In the last of three waiting rooms, a sign on the wall caught my attention. It read, *"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass...it's about learning to dance in the rain."* The statement also called me into check for a poor attitude.

Far too often, we blow it in the "waiting rooms of life" and allow our irritability to set in on us, which cause all types of anxiety to ooze out. Such challenges call for a calmness during storms, so we can have opportunity to dance in the rain. While driving through a storm last night, our daughter complained about the storm. Our four-year-old grandson blurted out a truth to consider: "Mommy, we can't have rainbows without rain."

I've never cared for storms! I've lived through some terrible tornadoes and managed to drive through some blinding rain storms, but it hasn't changed my lack of excitement about storms. Storms will come in each of our lives, but what we do during the storms might make the difference between life and death.

Worship provides opportunity for believers to discover preparation for the storms of life. One of the key ingredients of Christian worship, provides us with opportunity to return our tithes and offerings unto the Lord.

The one who can walk with us through the storms of life is the Creator and Giver of Life, Jesus Christ! Remember: *"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass...it's about learning to dance in the rain."*