## March 31, 2025

Because God is loyal and faithful

Ps. 29:1-4 Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of His holiness. The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD thunders over the mighty waters. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is majestic.

The Hebrew word for *voice* is **kovl** which means a loud roar, a shout or a declaration. Can you imagine with me what it would be like to hear the audible voice of the LORD? I have not physically heard His voice yet, but I can tell you that I have heard Him speak to my heart. And, when He has spoken, my way is set, and my path is sure.

I am fascinated by people's voices. They are almost as distinct as their fingerprint. When you hear certain voices, you will never forget them. They bring up instant memories or bring certain emotions into your life. Maybe it is a calmness or possibly a frightening thought. Voices are powerful. My older sister and I were separated for six years when I was seven. She was like a mom to me, and I was not able to see or hear from her during those six years. After my father passed away, she called and asked if she could come see us and my mom said yes! I remember the day the Greyhound bus pulled in and she stepped off the bus. I remember her embrace and we cried and later laughed. But even though those six years seemed like sixty, I still heard that special voice that I will never forget. When I hear it to this day, it brings me a calmness and joy that I can't explain. Sometimes I call her just to hear her voice.

I so long to hear the voice of My LORD. He will call us all home someday and we will be in His presence forever. We will praise Him and honor Him and sing to Him in honor of Him forever. And the best part will be when I hear Him say, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"

Dear LORD, thank You that You will continue to speak. You began by speaking the universe into existence and You will speak when You call us home. Help us to listen for Your voice today. In Jesus Name, Amen