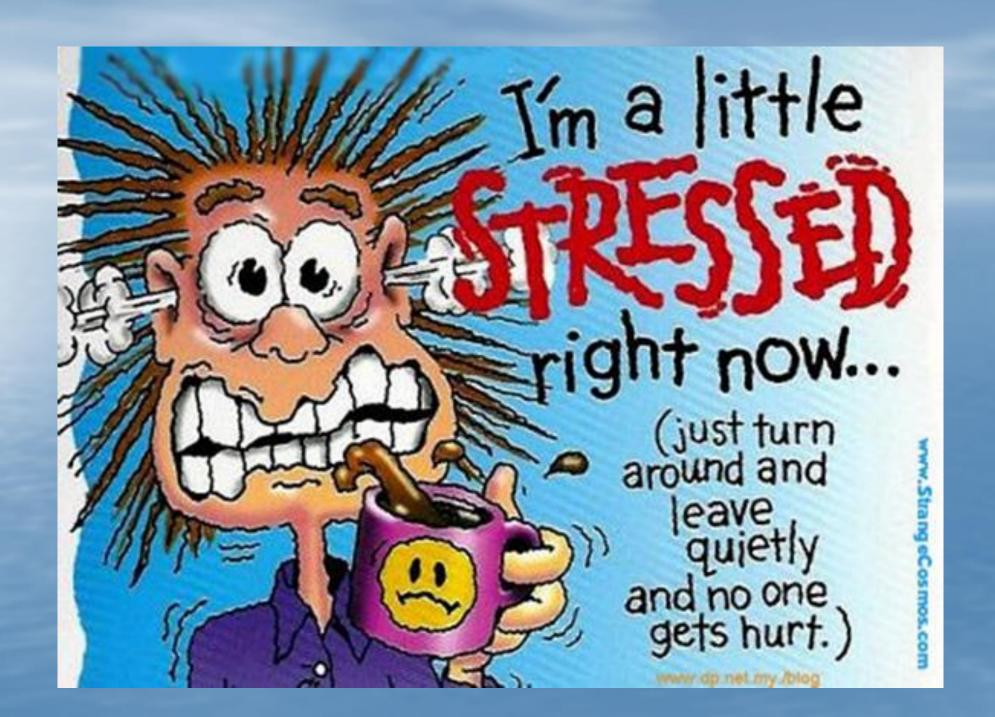
CALGON – TAKE ME AWAY

What to do when you're overwhelmed





Numbers 20:11-17

Why are You so hard on me? I am your devoted servant. Why don't You look on me with affection? Why do I have the great burden of these spiteful people? ¹² Did I conceive them, bear them, and give birth to them? Why should You tell me to carry them—as a nanny does some suckling infant—into the land that You swore to their ancestors? 13 And now, where am I supposed to find meat to feed this crowd crying out that I give them food to eat? 14 I simply cannot keep carrying them along. They are way too heavy. 15 If You plan to treat me like this, then just kill me now. If You care about me at all, just put me out of my misery so I do not have to live out this distress.

Eternal One (to Moses): ¹⁶ Listen, just do this for Me. Get 70 community elders, ones whom you know are real leaders among the people, and bring them into the congregation tent where we meet. Tell them to stand with you there. ¹⁷ I will then descend among you. I will speak with you, and withdraw some of My Spirit from you and place it on them so that they can help you with the burden of this people. Then you won't have to carry it all alone.



2 Corinthians 12:7-10

even though I have received such wonderful revelations from God. So to keep me from becoming proud, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger from Satan to torment me and keep me from becoming proud. 8 Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away. 9 Each time he said, "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness." So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me. ¹⁰ That's why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Philippains 4:11-13

I know how to be abased and live humbly in straitened circumstances, and I know also how to enjoy plenty and live in abundance. I have learned in any and all circumstances the secret of facing every situation, whether well-fed or going hungry, having a sufficiency and enough to spare or going without and being in want. I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency].

2 Corinthians 12:8-10

Three times I called upon the Lord and besought [Him] about this and begged that it might depart from me; 9 But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for My strength and power are made perfect (fulfilled and completed) and show themselves most effective in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses and infirmities, that the strength and power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me! ¹⁰ So for the sake of Christ, I am well pleased and take pleasure in infirmities, insults, hardships, persecutions, perplexities and distresses; for when I am weak [in human strength], then am I [truly] strong (able, powerful in divine strength).

I have learned to kiss the wave that slams me into the Rock of Ages.

-- Charles Spurgeon

Psalm 31:20

- How great is the goodness you have stored up for those who fear you.

 You lavish it on those who come to you for protections.
- You lavish it on those who come to you for protection, blessing them before the watching world.
- You hide them in the shelter of your presence, safe from those who conspire against them.
- You shelter them in your presence, far from accusing tongues. (NLT)

Psalm 31:20

Your overflowing goodness
You have kept for those who live in awe of You,
And You share Your goodness with those who make
You their sanctuary.

You hide them, You shelter them in Your presence, safe from the conspiracies of sinful men.

You keep them in Your tent, safe from the slander of accusing tongues. (Voice)

Psalm 61:2-3

You are the One I will call when pushed to the edge, when my heart is faint.

Shoulder me to the rock above me.

For you are my protection, an impenetrable fortress from my enemies. (Voice)

From the end of the earth will I cry to You, when my heart is overwhelmed and fainting; lead me to the rock that is higher than I [yes, a rock that is too high for me]. For You have been a shelter and a refuge for me, a strong tower against the adversary. (AMP)

Psalm 61:2-3

From the ends of the earth,
I cry to you for help
when my heart is overwhelmed.
Lead me to the towering rock of safety,
for you are my safe refuge,
a fortress where my enemies cannot reach me. (NLT)

Until there is breakthrough, there is grace.