life lessons

"but He knows the way that i take; when He has tested me, i shall come forth as gold." job 23:10

sometimes people come into your life and you don't always know the reason why. choose to believe they were meant to be there, to serve some sort of purpose, teach you a lesson, or to help you figure out who you are or correct some wrong turn you may have made. you never know who these people may be or how they may enter your life.

sometimes things happen to you that may seem horrible, painful, and unfair at first, but in reflection you find that without overcoming those obstacles you would have never grown into your destiny.

nothing ever happens without God knowing it. good and evil happen to us all and it is only God's grace that delivers us from some of them. illness, injury, love, lost moments of greatness, and sheer stupidity all occur to test and teach us. without these small tests, whatever they may be, life would be like a smoothly paved, straight, flat road to nowhere. we must not let our faith be shaken as the enemy would wish but instead let each happening have it's perfect work in us.

the people you meet who affect your life, and the success and downfalls you experience help to create who you become. even the bad experiences can be learned from. in fact, they are probably the most poignant and

important ones. if someone hurts you, betrays you, or breaks your heart, forgive them. forgiveness is the healing we all need.

through it all, through it all, i've learned to trust in Jesus, i've learned to trust in God.

through it all, through it all, i've learned to depend upon His word.

make every day count!!! appreciate every moment and take from those moments everything that you possibly can for you may never be able to experience it again. talk to people that you have never talked to before, and actually listen.

remember, growing older is mandatory. growing up is optional. we make a living by what we get. we make a life by what we give.