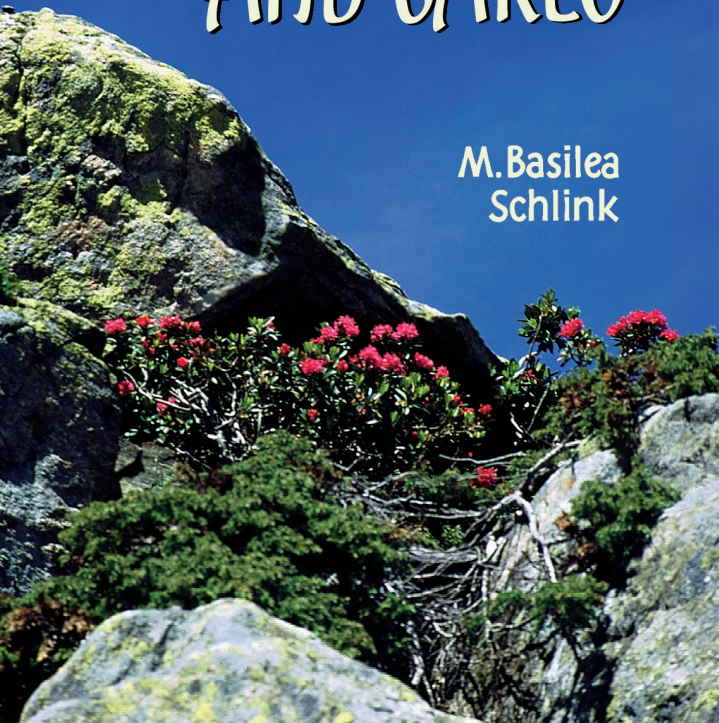


HE KNOWS AND CARES

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Thank You, Father.

Your heart is all goodness. I know You will bring good out of all that's troubling me. You will never fail to help Your child.

Thank You, Father.

You would never give me a stone when I ask for bread. As a loving father, You could never do that to me.

Thank You, Father,

for noticing everything. The very hairs on my head are counted. You care about every detail of my life. Nothing is too trivial. And nothing can happen to me that will not serve my ultimate good.

Thank You, Father.

You are the Father of mercies and God of all comfort. Your heart goes out to me when I am in distress.

Thank You, Father,

for being a true father. You can't see Your child unhappy without wanting to bring comfort and help.

Thank You, Father,
for never forgetting me, Your child.

Thank You, Father.
Even if You have to discipline Your child,
You will never let me be tested beyond my
strength.

Thank You, Father.
You know what is good and healing for me;
so however You lead, it will always be for
the best.

Thank You, Father.
The greater my needs, the more You delight
in blessing me with Your joy and good gifts.

Thank You, Father,
for making Your dwelling in hearts broken
by hardship and sorrow. Nowhere is Your
healing presence so evident as in the place of
pain and suffering.

Thank You, Father.
You hear every prayer of Your child. Not a
single one is lost.

Thank You, Father,
for feeling responsible for me. You care for
me in Your fatherly love, intervening on my
behalf when I am in need.

Thank You, Father.
In all my troubles I am surrounded by Your
goodness. I am not at the mercy of my prob-
lems, for Your love reigns over me.

Thank You, Father.
You are all-powerful. Whatever my troubles,
You always know how to help. My Father, You
are greater than everything. No difficulty is
too hard for you to resolve.

Thank You, Father,
for blessing me each new day with Your stead-
fast goodness, renewing me in the power of
Your love.

Thank You, Father,
for being the very best of fathers – merciful
and gracious, overflowing with kindness and
patience.

Thank You, Father,
for being such a caring father. You bear with
me, Your child. You keep watch over me and
show me the way to go.

Thank You, Father,
that nothing can happen to me that You can-
not turn around for my ultimate good.

Thank You, Father,
for the assurance that the path I now have to
tread is ultimately the very best one for me. If
there had been a better one, You would have
led me that way, because You love me.

Thank You, Father.
You know all things – past, present and future.
In Your love You consider what each day will
bring, so that it will never be too hard.

Thank You, Father,
for the way You delight in showing kindness
to Your children. Thank You that I can count
on You in all my troubles.

Thank You, Father,
that each day has been lovingly planned by
You as an opportunity to grow and experience
victory. Each day helps prepare for me the
crown of glory.

*Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected
my prayer
or removed his steadfast
love from me!*

Psalm 66:20 RSV

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