Safety, security, and strength are in the depth and width, not in the height

March 4

Have you ever stacked blocks up high, one on top of the other, until they become unstable and, ultimately, the slightest bump causes them to fall? This is a picture of someone whose only goal is to reach higher and higher in their personal pursuits. It's likened to a tree that grows fast and tall, reaching toward the heavens, soaking up the sun, often outgrowing and overshadowing others around them, without expending the time and energies necessary to push its roots deep down into the soil and spread its support in a broad manner to hold itself secure. The slightest wind can cause that tree to fall.

Decide now that you will spend the reasonable amount of time to, first, go deeper in Christ and broader in the things of God, before you climb too high and lose your balance, become unstable, and inevitably collapse.

Prayer for Today

God, may I walk this day, not in my own knowledge and ability, but in the grace and power of Your gifts that reside in me. Today I ask You to strengthen the foundation of my faith that I may overcome my fears and be a strong pillar in Your Kingdom.

Scriptures for Today

Luke 8:11-14 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. (NKJV)