



## Happy Heat Wave!

It's summer in South Central Pennsylvania and, true to nature, we are in a heat wave. No matter your locale, I am sure you are as well. When it's this hot, it's hard to think. That's my excuse and I'm sticking to it. So, instead of thinking, I'm going to share something with you I had penned in 1997.

Although Connecting the Light has been around for a little less than four years, I have been writing for at least four decades. The poem in this "Inspired Message" was written upon realization of the fact that no matter where my head and heart were, God was always there. Just as He is always there for you, whenever you turn your face to Him in prayer.

Please, take the time to read this slowly and deliberately. It is but a few lines with a powerful message.

May you never fail to turn your face to God.

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### BOTHER

There was a time, when my life was not what it is today.  
I thought that God had forgotten me, I didn't even bother to pray.

A time when each day that passed, brought more pain than the one before.  
I figured that God couldn't love me; I was worthless through to the core.

I hadn't counted on a blessing. If one came, I wasn't aware.  
I turned away not knowing. Back then, I didn't really care.

I just kept living my wretched life thinking, surely, God hadn't called me.  
What would he want with a sinner? To him, what could I ever be?

It took many years of falling and struggling to get up on my own  
Until I just couldn't take anymore. I realized I couldn't do it alone.

When I finally turned to God and said, "Please help me! I can't go another mile."  
I felt his love as He spoke to me, saying "I've been with you all the while."

"I've loved you even though you've fallen. I've been with you every day"  
"I would have helped you sooner, but you hadn't bothered to pray."