

WELCOME TO HAVEN

March 2, 2025

Welcome

Worship Songs

"We Praise You"

"Graves Into Gardens"

Prayer

Scripture for Today

1 Peter 4:19 (LB)

Message

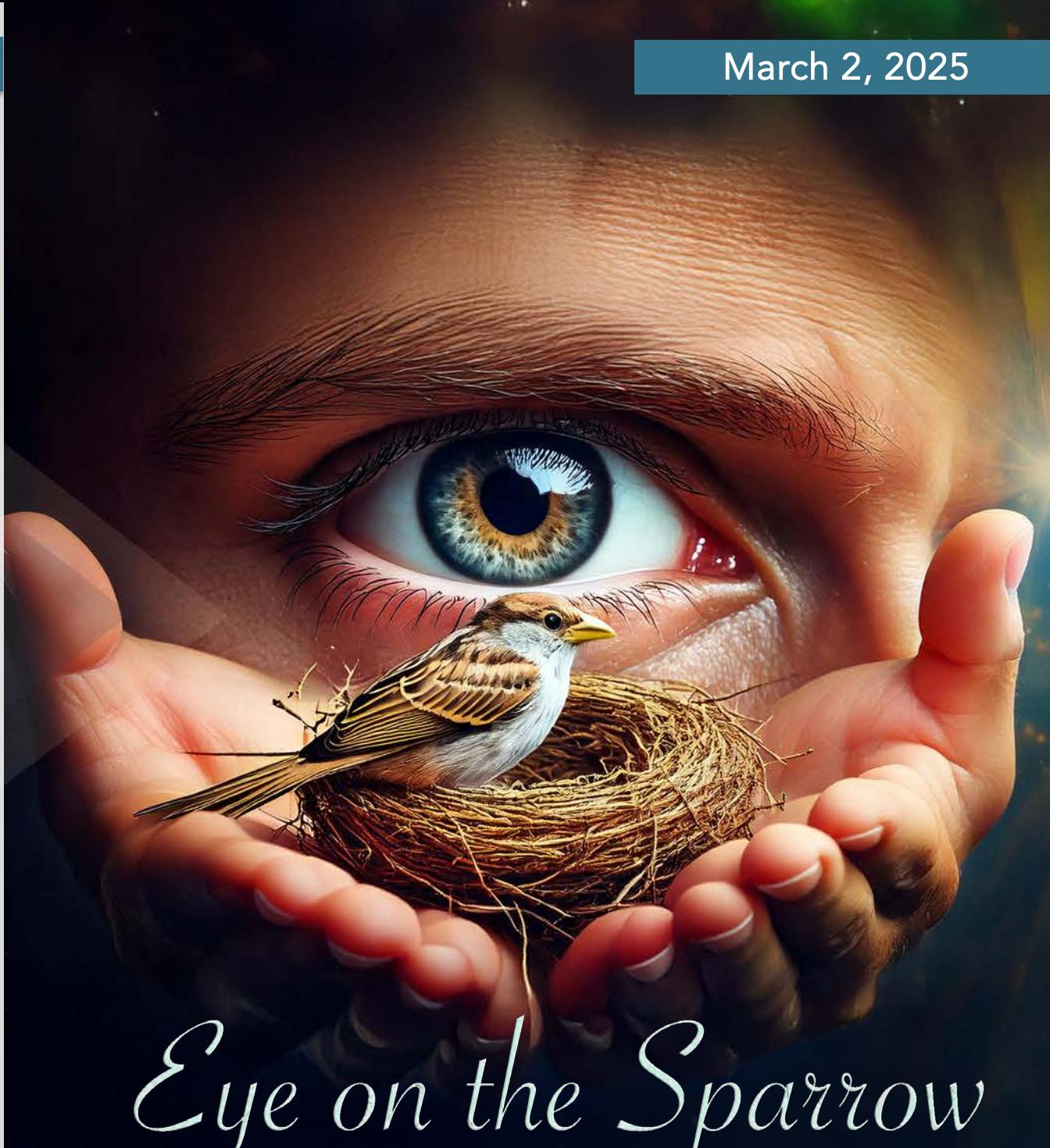
"No Pain No Gain"

Jack D. Cohen

Offering/Worship Song

"Lord, I Need You"

**Closing*



Eye on the Sparrow

■ **MYTH:** “*If I _____ my pain, it will _____*”

■ **TRUTH:** Pain is a _____ God uses for _____ in my life

“Jesus replied, ‘You don’t realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand.’”

– John 13:7

HOW CAN GOD USE MY PAIN FOR GOOD?

■ **God uses pain to _____ me**

“Sometimes it takes a painful experience to make us change our ways.”

– Proverbs 20:30 (GN)

(Prodigal son) “...spent everything he had...and was hungry... At last he came to his senses and said... I’ll get up and go to my father...”

– Luke 15:14 18 (GN)

■ **God uses pain to _____ me**

“...it was the best thing that could have happened to me, for it taught me to pay attention to your laws.”

– Psalm 119:71 72 (LB)

“Let God train you, for he is doing what any loving father does for his children. Whoever heard of a child who was never corrected?”

– Hebrews 12:7 (LB)

■ **God uses pain to _____ me**

“I have tested you in the furnace of affliction.”

– Isaiah 48:10

“...tests and challenges come at you from all sides. (And) You know that under pressure, your faith life is forced into the open and shows its true colors.”

– James 1:2 3 (MSG)

(Israelites) “God led you through the wilderness for forty years, humbling you and testing you to find out how you would respond, and whether or not you would really obey him.”

– Deuteronomy 8:2 (LB)

■ **God uses pain to _____ me**

“You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good...”

– Genesis 50:20

■ **God uses pain to _____ me**

“For when the way is rough, your patience has a chance to grow. So let it grow, and don’t try to squirm out of your problems...then you will be ready for anything, strong in character, complete.”

– James 1:4 (LB)

“So don’t try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well developed.”

– James 1:4 (MSG)

“(This happened) ...so we might learn to trust, not in ourselves, but in God...”

– 1 Corinthians 1:9 (Ph)

“Has all your painful experience brought you nowhere?”

– Galatians 3:4 (Ph)

“Now I am glad...not because it hurt you but because the pain turned you to God.”

– 2 Corinthians 7:9 (LB)

“If you are suffering according to God’s will, keep on doing what is right and trust yourself to the God who made you, for he will never fail you.”

– 1 Peter 4:19 (LB)