

## Ask Me If I Care!

*Care: "To be concerned or interested. To provide needed assistance or watchful supervision."*

Recent reports of flocks of birds falling from the sky leave scientists speculating as to the cause of these sad events. A picture of broken, bleeding birds on the ground touches the heart and brings to mind the song "His Eye Is On The Sparrow":



Why should I feel discouraged?  
Why should the shadows come?  
Why should my heart be lonely  
And long for heaven and home?  
When Jesus is my portion,  
My constant friend is He.  
His eye is on the sparrow  
And I know He watches me;  
His eye is on the sparrow  
And I know He watches me.

Chorus:  
I sing because I'm happy!  
I sing because I'm free!  
For His eye is on the sparrow  
And I know He watches me.

Maybe scientists cannot determine why these precious creatures died, but it has not escaped God's attention. The Bible tells us that even the birds have special love and protection from the Creator:

Matthew 10:29 "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father"

Matthew 10:31: "Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows."

Luke 12:6: "Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?"

Luke 12:7: "But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows."

The term "care" probably is used more frequently and flippantly than we realize. People continue to say things such as, "I couldn't care less" and "Ask me if I care." "I'm taking care of it." "I don't care about that."

How awesome to know that God cares, even when we don't! One writer used the phrase "censor" in referring to God's watchful care. He said that before we even wake in the morning – and all through the night – and into next week, next year – God has already 'censored' the events of our lives. He not only permits but He cares about the details of our lives. There is a reason behind every flat tire!

Psalm 112 speaks to the blessings bestowed on the righteous. Verse 7 says "he will have no fear of bad news." When we are in God's constant care, we do not have to fear what may be coming next.

The next time you have had a harrowing day, replete with broken washing machines, traffic jams, broken down cars, lost computer files, bad news from the doctor, babies that won't sleep, tired and cranky children, over-extended schedules...stop and remember how much God cares.

If it matters to you, it matters to Him.

1 Peter 5:7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.