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WAITING

I was reading about caterpillars recently. They are very vulnerable when they enter the transformation process. The cocoon doesn't come around them overnight. They must weave it, and they stay in that place for 5-21 days on the average. There are some that stay in a cocoon up to three years when the conditions aren't right, so they can't emerge.

I am sure if you were a caterpillar, you might wonder what is happening to you. One minute you are on a leaf eating away, and the next minute you are part of that leaf being transformed. The process is probably very uncomfortable for you. Once you were in the sunlight bathing and basking and enjoying your life, and now you are inside a "tomb" of darkness wondering what is happening.

As you are transformed it will get uncomfortable as you take on the transformation. Your wings are being formed and you won't even look the same when you come out of the "tomb" of transformation. You have left behind all that you knew to be real and are embarking into something unknown. No one can help you this this process. It is a one-on-one process with the "butterfly" maker, God, himself. When the time is right, there will be a separation from the "tomb", and you will emerge with wings to fly. You come out totally changed by the only one that could have brought the change, God.

Little did you know that it was your purpose. You are now a butterfly, once known to others as a worm or caterpillar. Your beauty is shown off as your wings take you to heights you never knew were possible. You then procreate and the process starts all over again.

Many of us can see the story of this caterpillar and can relate to it. We may be in the stage of early development on the leaf, enjoying life and things happen suddenly that will bring change. You may be in the encapsulating stage, where you are the most vulnerable. You have shut yourself away from all other life, letting the Master Designer bring change to you. It is a lonely place there. You may not understand why you have to go through this stage but keep believing that God will bring you through.

Then there are those that emerge and become what they were created to be. You have found your purpose and have left the comfort of the "cocoon" and are now flying. Be sure as you do fly that you choose to reproduce yourself and let others have the chance to fly too.

It says in II Corinthians 3:18, ***"But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."***

Whatever stage you are in my friends, you can be confident that God is with you and will see you through. So, trust He has a plan greater than you can see with your natural eye, and allow him to bring the change to your life, in his timing. Don't delay the process, and don't hurry the progress. He will put it together for you right on time!