

Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God

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DAILY DEVOTIONAL FROM PASTOR SELL

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I had the big tree in my garden trimmed recently. Several large branches hung over the roof and dead branches needed to be removed. The tree service came with a large truck with a bucket boom and a smaller truck with a woodchipper. The alley was blocked off and part of the fence was removed. The large truck was slowly and gently maneuvered across the lawn and the stabilizing pads were put down. In a little less than an hour two thirds of the tree was gone and chipped. The truck then moved back to the alley and around to the other tree which needed trimming leaving indentations in the recently mowed grass. I hoped I would not have ruts to fill and reseed. Ten days later the grass has grown, and only faint lines mark the movement of the truck across the lawn.

We all have scars from past experiences. I have nerve damage from an accident 17 years ago. Most people don't even notice. The wound is healed, and I have learned to do things differently. Jesus' healing is not always the perfect cure we want but the peace we need to continue on the journey. The scars may still be there, but the peace is worth everything.