

Psalm 92:1

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

A true story that happened to me a few years ago. I have a 30-gallon saltwater fish tank in my office at home where I work from, and where I write these devotionals. Well, with having a fish tank, you have to maintain it by doing a partial water change at least once every week or two. This involves having a siphon tube to transfer the saltwater from the fish tank to a bucket, and you usually empty about half the tank. Well when you do this, the vacuum also cleans out the sand from the bottom of the tank. So I did that and then put in the new saltwater that I buy premixed from the fish store into the tank.

Well, everything looked normal, and I went on about my day. The next morning I came down to my office, and I notice what looked like my cleaner shrimp laying dead at the bottom of the tank. I have had this cleaner shrimp for some time now, and they are not cheap either. But there it was, long tentacles and a lifeless body just laying there on the sand at the bottom of the tank. So I got my net and took him out of the tank and flushed him down the toilet. (I know you can all relate, especially if you had a goldfish as a kid lol). So I figured, life goes on (except for my cleaner shrimp) and next time I went to the fish store I would have to buy another cleaner shrimp.

So the next morning I come down to my office, and to my surprise, there he was, my cleaner shrimp running around inside my fish tank. Now remember I had flushed him down the toilet the day before and never saw him at all that day. But there he was, moving around like nothing happened.

So you may be wondering what happened? Well, cleaner shrimp actually shed, like a snake does, or other sea life like crabs and lobster, and that's what had happened. And I didn't see him all day because he was hiding behind several rocks all that day.

But the first thing I thought of was God, and how, even with something that seemed so insignificant, how He actually took care of things, and I still have my cleaner shrimp, and I don't have to buy a new one.

Now this may seem small to you, or even stupid that I am even mentioning it, but I want to give all glory God for not only taking care of the big things in my life, but the little things as well. Things I never even prayed for or asked for. I never prayed for God to provide me with a new cleaner shrimp, or even heal my cleaner shrimp. But GOD (Love those two words) did what only God can do best, and that is take care of my everyday things in life like He always does. It just that it seems so common to us, that we forget that it is God Who does all these things to take care of us. They are more than the number of grains of sand.

But this is just a reminder to all of you (and myself) to thank God for all things that He does for us, each and every day, every second of, every moment of the day. That's why He is GOD and is Awesome!!!

† **Psalm 40:5** *Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works Which You have done; And Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order; If I would declare and speak of them, They are more than can be numbered.*

† **Matthew 10:30** *But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.*

† **Psalm 139:1-6** *O LORD, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it.*