



# Pastor's Comments

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### Difference A Day Makes

In the routine of daily living, we tend to take things for granted—as if good things will always continue. Then, something tragic happens as it did in 1959 when my dad died of a heart attack. That day, life drastically changed for me, my seven brothers, two sisters, and mother! We experienced **what a difference a day makes!**

In 1991, at the height of Desert Storm, Ruth Dillow received a message from the Pentagon that her son, Clayton, had stepped on a mine in Kuwait and **was dead!** Ruth later wrote, “I can’t begin to describe my **grief and shock**. For three days I **wept** and expressed **anger and loss**.” Oh, **what a difference a day makes!**

For over three years, the disciples of Jesus daily saw Him do outstanding miracles. He healed the sick, cast out demons, miraculously fed the multitudes—no problem was too great for Him! He instantly stilled the winds and the waves. He even raised the dead! Then came a day when in shock they saw their Master arrested, cruelly treated in a mockery of a trial, horribly beaten, hung on a cross, and then buried. Oh, **what a difference a day makes!**

It can be something astoundingly good that causes us to exclaim, “**What a difference a day makes!**” Like when Ruth Dillow heard the telephone ring after three days of mourning. The voice on the other end said, “**Mom, it’s me. I’m alive.**” Ruth said, “**I couldn’t believe it at first**. But then I recognized his voice, and **he really was alive!**” She said, “**I laughed, I cried, I felt like turning cartwheels, because my son whom I had thought was dead, was really alive!**”

Three days after Jesus’ disciples plunged into mourning they heard that an angel said, “**He is risen!**” Then **they saw Him—alive!** Oh, **what a difference that resurrection day made for them and for us today!**

Two days after my dad died, I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost (see [www.naog.ws/thirsty.htm](http://www.naog.ws/thirsty.htm)) and **what a difference that day made in my life!** It can be the same for you **today** for “**Now is the day of salvation**” (2 Corinthians 6:2). Accept Jesus Christ as your Savior **today** and discover **what a difference a day makes!**