



GOD IS BIGGER STILL

KEY SCRIPTURE: 1 Peter 5:7

My daughter once worked as a teacher at a dance studio. She independently taught or assisted with teaching all ages of dancers and all types of dance, ranging from basic ballet to jazz and hip-hop.

One evening she was asked to fill in as a gymnastics teacher. Though normally able and willing to do whatever she was asked, she wasn't pleased about this particular request. It wasn't because she didn't like gymnastics, either. It was because she was too small to spot the gymnasts safely as they were doing their twists and turns. As she put it, "They're bigger than I am, and I always get hurt."

And she did.

She didn't have a lot of say in the matter and had to help anyway, so the next day her back was quite sore. She moved around—when she was able to move at all—in quite a bit of pain.

Thankfully that next day was also her day off from teaching, and she didn't have to dance at all. If she had, she either wouldn't have been able to dance, or she would have had to muddle through in misery.

It made me think about how often life throws us problems that leave us feeling the same way.

We know they are too big for us, but we try it anyway. It might be because we don't feel we have a choice, but it still ends up getting us hurt. And maybe even completely out of commission. My daughter didn't have a choice at the dance studio that evening. But when we are facing life and its problems, thankfully, we do have a choice.

We don't have to go it alone. God is bigger than any problems we face, and we need to let Him take care of the tumbles and jumps they can cause.

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If we will just pray and admit, "They're bigger than I am, and I always get hurt," we'll save ourselves a lot of distress and keep from being knocked out of commission. Satan wants us in so much pain we're unable to move, but God is big enough to spot any weight we are asked to carry. Problems might seem bigger than we are, but God is bigger still.

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