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*Through the LORD's mercies we are not consumed,
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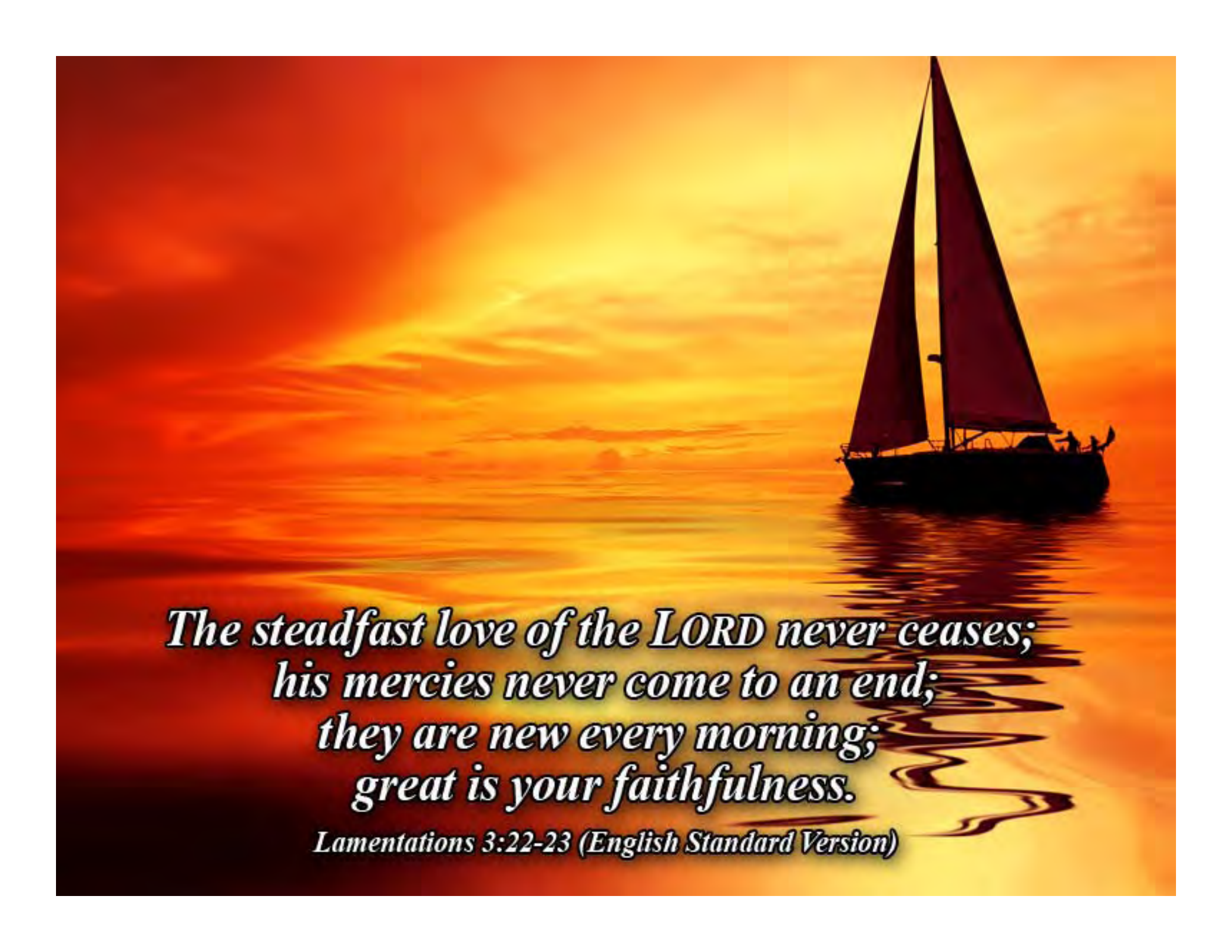
Great is Your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23 (New King James Version)

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been, Thou for ever will be

Great is thy faithfulness
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Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed thy hand hath provided
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me

A photograph of a sailboat with two large sails on the right side of the frame, sailing on a calm sea. The sky is a vibrant orange and yellow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The water reflects the colors of the sky. The text is overlaid on the lower left portion of the image.

*The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
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Lamentations 3:22-23 (English Standard Version)

Can God Be Trusted?



Jeremiah The Prophet

Jeremiah 1

1. Before Formed - God knew him

2. Before Born – God chose him

3. Before Started – God had a plan

4. As he went God was with him



Jeremiah The Prophet



*“by birth a priest; by grace a prophet;
by the trials of life a bulwark for God's truth;
by daily spiritual experience one of the greatest exponents of
prophetic faith in his unique relation to God;
by temperament gentle and timid,
yet constantly contending against the forces of sin;
and by natural desire a seeker after the love
of his family, friends, and above all, his people
which were all denied him.”*

Charles Lee Feinberg

Jeremiah The Prophet



*“He was a weeping prophet
to a wayward people”*

Charles Dryer

Jeremiah The Prophet



It has often been remarked that Jeremiah's life was finally a failure. He was alone for most of his ministry. It seemed that no one gave any heed to his words. He was dragged off finally to live his last days in exile against his own will. He was a failure as the world judges human achievement.

Jeremiah The Prophet



But a more balanced assessment of him would be that his very words of judgment saved Israel's faith from disintegration, and his words of hope finally helped his people to gain hope in God's future for them.

J. A. Thompson

Laments of Lamentations



First Lament: Jerusalem's Destruction (1:1–22)

The Second Lament: The Lord's Anger Explained (2:1–22)

The Third Lament: Jeremiah's Grief Expressed (3:1–66)

The Fourth Lament: God's Wrath Detailed (4:1–22)

The Fifth Lament: The Remnant's Prayers (5:1–22)

Faithfulness



1. What to do when all is bad?

*This I recall to my mind,
Therefore I have hope.*

Lamentations 3:21

Faithfulness



2. Is this going to destroy me?

**Through the LORD's mercies
we are not consumed,**

Lamentations 3:22

Faithfulness



**3. How do I know God will not give up
on me?**

**Because His compassions fail not.
They are new every morning;
Great is Your faithfulness.**

Lamentations 3:22-23

Faithfulness



God is Faithful

*Your faithfulness
continues through all generations;
you established the earth,
and it endures*

Psalm 119:90

Faithfulness



God is Faithful

God is faithful, who has called you into
fellowship with his Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:9

Faithfulness



No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

1 Corinthians 10:13

Faithfulness



God is Faithful

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

Faithfulness



4. How do I focus in these times?

**The LORD *is* my portion,” says my soul,
“Therefore I hope in Him!”**

Faithfulness



4. How do I focus in these times?

**The LORD *is* good
to those who wait for Him,
To the soul *who* seeks Him.**

Faithfulness



4. How do I focus in these times?

***It is good that one should hope and
wait quietly
For the salvation of the LORD.***

Faithfulness



Samuel and Danielle and their young son, Armand

Faithfulness



1. What is the problem?

2. Remember – God is faithful

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