

Devotional Thoughts :: The Piano**The Piano - posted by LiveforGod (), on: 2007/11/29 16:26**

Wishing to encourage her young son's progress on the piano, a mother took her boy to a Paderewski concert. After they were seated, the mother spotted a friend in the audience and walked down the aisle to greet her. Seizing the opportunity to explore the wonders of the concert hall, the little boy rose and eventually explored his way through a door marked "NO ADMITTANCE."

When the houselights dimmed and the concert was about to begin, the mother returned to her seat and discovered that the child was missing. Suddenly, the curtains parted and spotlights focused on the impressive Steinway on stage. In horror, the mother saw her little boy sitting at the keyboard, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." At that moment, the great piano master made his entrance, quickly moved to the piano, and whispered in the boy's ear, "Don't quit. Keep playing."

Then leaning over, Paderewski reached down with his left hand and began filling in a bass part. Soon his right arm reached around to the other side of the child and he added a running obbligato. Together, the old master and the young novice transformed a frightening situation into a wonderfully creative experience. And the audience was mesmerized.

Whatever our situation in life and history--however outrageous, however desperate, whatever dry spell of the spirit, whatever dark night of the soul-- God is whispering deep within our beings, "Don't quit. Keep playing. You are not alone, Together we will transform the broken patterns into a masterwork of my creative art. Together, we will mesmerize the world with our song of peace.

"FOR WE WALK BY FAITH, NOT BY SIGHT." II Corinthians 4:7

Re: The Piano - posted by HIServant (), on: 2007/11/30 22:46

That is sooooo true. Great analogy. Thank you!

Re: The Piano - posted by donnaemmons9, on: 2007/12/1 2:51

I liked this. It reminded me of the song the touch of the Masters hand. It was when the Master Pianoist, in your story, came on stage that the difference was made. Great story. Thanks for sharing.