



Chaplaincy Chat

Paths of Mercy & Truth



Beverly Sills has thrilled audiences with her beautiful operatic voice for years. Few people know, however, that her natural daughter was born deaf and that she had a stepdaughter who is also severely handicapped.

*She writes in her autobiography, **Bubbles**: I was now only thirty-four, but a very mature thirty-four. In a strange way my children has brought me an inner peace. The first question I had when I learned of their tragedies was self-pitying, "Why me?" Then gradually it changed to a much more important, "Why them?" Despite their handicaps they were showing enormous strength in continuing to live as normal and constructive lived as possible. How could Peter and I show any less strength?*

Oscar Wilde once wrote: " In this world there are only two tragedies. One is not getting what one wants, and the other is getting it." A third tragedy may be added: the tragedy of not being able to go forward after tragedy has occurred. When a tragedy strikes, our first tendency is to ask "Why?" We may never know "why," but God promises to be with us always. When we make the decision to go on with life, He leads us on in His paths of mercy and truth.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Psalm 147:3

“WE CARE”