

Never underestimate the advantage of a handicap.



GOD KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING. He has a reason and a purpose for everything. We don't always understand, and we don't have to. All we have to do is let each thing that He sends our way accomplish His purpose.

“All things work together for good to those who love God” (Romans 8:28), no matter what they are or how “good” they seem to us. It may not always seem like it at the time, but in the long run God often gets His greatest victories out of seeming defeat. Perhaps that handicap is meant to strengthen you in other areas, such as faith and love, and to equip you to impart those strengths to others.

When William Moon (1818–1894) of Brighton, England, was stricken with blindness, he said, “God gave me the talent of blindness to use for His glory. Without blindness I should never have been able to see the needs of the blind.” Then God enabled him to invent the Moon alphabet for the blind, by which thousands of blind people were able to read the Word of God, and many of them were gloriously saved.

So don't give up! Don't drown in your sorrows. Make an advantage out of your handicap. Build a bridge out of your broken dreams, and set those ships a sail again. That handicap need not be the end. In fact, it may only be the beginning!