Ruth Jefferson Voice of the Middle Ground Founder ""Forget the former things; do not dwell in the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." ~Isaiah 43:18-19

Thinking about today's verse reminds me of an old song by Don Moen entitled "God Will Make A Way". It also reminds me of God's track record of faithfulness. His faithfulness is especially encouraging to think about as I consider the mission of Voice of the Middle Ground.

In some ways, this adventure we're taking together is a massive one and one that may seem at the least intricate and at most impossible. But what makes God's track record of faithfulness so encouraging is that, where we see no way, we can have confidence that he can make one. Where history seems to speak loudly, God's voice speaks even more loudly.

Through his Word he calls us to "forget the former things" and to hold on tightly to him, looking at the adventure that lies ahead of us, not as people traveling alone, or even just as people traveling in human community. No, he encourages us to go on this adventure with him, to work together with him for the sake of the gospel. As we do, we'll see these ways that God will make.

Ruth Jefferson Voice of the Middle Ground Founder **Prayer:**

Dear Heavenly Father, we have seen you make paths through the wilderness. As we go through this day, this week, and even beyond, we pray you would encourage the hearts of those who are living life on a mission with you to share your heart, your gospel with the least, the last, and the lost. As we reach out to those you love, we can't help but notice the events unfolding around us, these symptoms of a fallen world. And, as we do, we may become discouraged.

In these times, remind us of who you are. Turn our mourning over the brokenness of the world into rejoicing in who you are. You don't want for anyone to die apart from you. Instead, your desire is for everyone to be saved. Throughout the Bible, we see examples of how you have made a way where there seems to be no way. Open our eyes and our hearts to the ways that you will make.

In Jesus' Name, we pray, Amen.