

## Dan's Devotion: O Canada

I spent last week fishing in Canada. We had a great time fishing, laughing, and making fun of each other. The best part for me though, is getting a chance to spend a week out in God's beautiful creation away from any other distractions. God's beauty was all around. For example, one day I pulled into a little cove to do some fishing and I looked up and there was a bald eagle looking down at me from a tree not more than 25 feet away. I was able to take some neat pictures. What a beautiful bird. And of course, I love catching fish. It's hard for me to ever make that last cast. In fact, the other guys started calling me "Just one more cast." Thank you God for creating fish!!!

The last evening before we left, I was sitting in a chair overlooking the lake. It was a perfectly calm evening and the water was as smooth as glass. Psalm 23 came to mind and gave me a whole new perspective on the first few verses. It says, "*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, **he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul.***" It was a special time with God as I thanked him for refreshing my spirit.

I want to remind you that when you are feeling overwhelmed with the business of life, God is there for you. He wants to restore your soul. And it doesn't require going to Canada to make that happen. We just need to carve out a little time to come to him and place our worries at his feet. Try it. You'll like it.

His Child,

Dan Toney

P.S.- Not long after we left our camp, we saw 2 moose on the side of the road and a little while later we saw a black bear. It was as if God was reminding us as we headed back to the real world not to forget how amazing his creation is.