

t was the day before
Thanksgiving and my
husband, Barry, had several
errands to run before the holiday.



As he was driving, he noticed an unusual sound coming from the car.

Two days later, on "Black Friday", the Corolla was taken to the Toyota dealership for assessment.

It had 119,000 miles on it but had been running very well until now. It became a true Black Friday for us when the news came that the differential in the transmission had gone bad—a bill of \$3700! Being retired, we were astounded at this prospect. The service technician asked if there had been a warranty on the drivetrain when we purchased the car. We looked through our paperwork, but found nothing about a warranty.

We prayed together; we prayed separately; we remained in an attitude of prayer through the weekend, knowing that surely God wouldn't want us to spend His money this way! We were praying that if God could be glorified, that a warranty be found on our car to alleviate this huge expense. While helping to establish a new church plant we had faithfully helped financially. We are also faithful in

our tithe and offerings, and give of our time to God for the upbuilding of His kingdom.

And yet we prayed, "God, if you want your money (because everything we have is His) to be spent in this way, then Your will be done."

We spent the weekend peacefully worshiping God and enjoying the fellowship of believers, all the while continuing to pray that a warranty would be found. On Monday morning the phone rang. It was the technician calling to tell us that there definitely was a warranty on our car. My husband's immediate response was, "Praise the Lord!"

Over and over again we've been shown that we cannot outgive God. He watches over us and rewards our faithfulness. My favorite promise is found in Proverbs 3:5, 6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

I love being in partnership with Him! It didn't have to be a Black Friday of discouragement for us as we chose to trust our faithful God who always watches over us!

IT IS ALL OF ME IN RESPONSE TO ALL OF HIM!

— Sharryn
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"For I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

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