

Anne, the lead character in the Anne of Green Gables stories, longed for a family. Orphaned, she had lost hope of ever finding a place to call home. But then she learned that an older man named Matthew and his sister Marilla would take her in. On the buggy ride to their home, Anne apologized for chattering on and on, but Matthew, a quiet man, said, "You can talk as much as you like. I don't mind." This was music to Anne's ears. She felt no one had ever wanted her around, much less wanted to hear her chatter. After arriving, her hopes were dashed when she learned the siblings had thought they were getting a boy to help as a farmhand. She feared being returned, but Anne's longing for a loving home was met when they made her a part of their family.

We've all had times when we felt unwanted or alone. But when we become a part of God's family through salvation in Jesus, He becomes for us a secure home (Psalm 62:2). He delights in us and invites us to talk with Him about everything: our worries, temptations, sorrows, and hopes. The psalmist tells us we can "find rest in God" and "pour out [our] hearts to him" (vv. 5, 8).

Don't hesitate. Talk to God as much as you like. He won't mind. He delights in our hearts. In Him you'll find a home.