

Ten (of the many) things I wish I had known

when I became an unlikely missionary doctor, wife and homeschooling mama



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- 1 God is not interested in our so-called success; all He asks is our obedience and faithfulness.
- 2 Closed doors, delays and roadworks can be God's way of redirecting us to His divine plans.
- 3 "If we obey God, it is going to cost other people more than it costs us, and that is where the sting comes in ... God has already thought about the consequences of our obedience. If we obey, He — not we — will take care of everyone involved. We need only to let him." - *Oswald Chambers*
- 4 Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it. - *Proverbs 4:23*
- 5 Deciding before you go that you are going to stay the term until and unless God leads you otherwise will help you stay rooted and weather every difficulty that will come your way.
- 6 God likes to ask us to do things that we cannot do. If we do what we can do, then we get the credit. But if we do what we cannot do, then God gets all the glory! What God asks us to do should scare us – at least a little bit!
- 7 If we will make room for God, He will move.
- 8 Who told you who you are and who you are not? Who told you what you can and what you cannot do? No one can tell us who we were created to be and are capable of except God.
- 9 God has called you into His divine protection, but He has never called you to be stupid.
- 10 "First do what is necessary. Then do what is possible. And before you know it, you are doing the impossible." - *St Francis of Assisi*
You are needed. You can start with what is possible. The secret to the impossible is to fall in love.
"To fall in love with God is the greatest romance." - *St Augustine*

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