Weather Report

"Any day I'm vertical is a good day"
…that's what I always say.
and I give thanks for my health.

If you ask me, "How are you?"
I'll answer, "GREAT!"
because in saying so, I make it so
and I give thanks I can choose my attitude.

When Life gives me dark clouds and rain,
I appreciate the moisture
that brings a soft curl to my hair.

When Life gives me sunshine,
I gratefully turn my face up
to feel its warmth on my cheeks.

When Life brings fog,
I hug my sweater around me
and give thanks for the cool shroud of mystery
that makes the familiar seem different and intriguing.

When Life brings snow,
I dash outside to catch the first flakes on my tongue,
relishing the icy miracle that is a snowflake.

Life's events and experiences are like the weather-
they come and go,
no matter what my preference.

So, what the heck?!
I might as well decide to enjoy them.

For indeed,
there IS a time for every purpose
under Heaven.

And each season brings it's own unique blessings…
and I give thanks.
BJ Gallagher

We cannot choose the weather of our lives, but we can choose our response.
Our Father in Heaven has given us <u>four umbrellas</u> to help shelter us from life's storms.

1. **Faith in the Lord**
2. **Gratitude**
3. **Service**
4. **Keeping Our Buckets Full**

Let's choose to stand under the protection of these four umbrellas, to be of good cheer and to dance in the rain!

Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass…
It's about learning to **dance in the rain**!
Vivian Greene