



It seems there is a national day for everything. Yesterday was the one for siblings. And so I want to give a shoutout to mine, with much gratitude.

Allow me some quick words about them:

My sister was 10 years my senior. She was a beautiful soul who taught me many things. Among them, about loyalty and friendship. But I'll tell you how she left her mark on me. I witnessed an awful disease bring out in her a level of courage only attainable through grace. If you follow my blog at all, you have probably read about my sister and her battle with cancer. I will spare you the painstaking details of that here, and just will say that I do not ever want to have to dig for that kind of courage; the thought of it scares me. I was blown away by the spiritual fortitude she exhibited. It left a mark on me, seared into my memory. From my sister, I learned about loyalty, friendship and courage.

I cannot recall him not sharing with me, ever. His things, his time. He's had a passion for flying since he was a boy and, by the time he was a teenager, I was his make-believe co-pilot sitting in front of a giant cockpit poster going through a flight checklist. When I was 12, I became his first real-life co-pilot when he obtained his license and realized his dream. I don't recall a negative word said about him, ever. His kindness overflows in everything he does. I don't recall him not listening when I have needed to talk, ever. He has been a constant figure of comfort in my life. I don't recall fighting with my brother, ever. I think back, but only remember good memories. From my brother, I learned about sharing, kindness...and flying.

Two siblings. Two unique and wonderful relationships. Two amazing blessings. For that, I am eternally grateful.

Cheers to your siblings. May you enjoy them!

What are you thankful for today?

Until next Thursday's post...si Dios quiere.

["The greatest gift our parents ever gave us was each other."](#)



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