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# Two-Minute Drill



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## It is Going to Rain in April

My lawn looks like my hair did back in the '70's: matted and long and dirty and mangy. It looks bleak out there: the slate gray skies, the trash in the yellow-brown front yard, the bare trees, the dark mornings.

But then we hear a robin sing. We notice that the wind doesn't have its fierce edge any more. The sun peaks out of the clouds and its rays have some brawn to them. We realize that we've survived another winter and spring is returning just like it has since the beginning of time. Clinton Scollard described this cycle of the seasons as, *"The joy song of the crocus, the mirth of daffodils."*

Thank goodness for April showers: Mother Nature's version of "Wet hair. Shampoo. Rinse. Repeat". April showers cleanse the last dregs of winter and entice with the bouquet of spring. We are impatient, but we have gone through this before and we know that we are close; so with one eye on the clouds and one on the puddles we dauntlessly trudge toward spring.

*"Such comfort as lusty men feel, when well-heeled April on the heel of limping winter tread."*

- W. Shakespeare

Consider the following quote by Paul Harvey:

- *"In times like these, it helps to recall there have always been times like these."*

### Ask yourself:

Do I recognize the cycles in my life? In my business? In my relationships?

What tools do I use to keep perspective and maintain patience?

What generally comes next after times like these?