EASY CHOCOLATE LOAF CAKE

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 Cup All-purpose Flour
- ½ Cup Unsweetened Cocoa Powder
- 2 Tsps. Baking Powder
- ½ Tsp. Cinnamon
- ¼ Tsp. Salt
- 2 Large Eggs at Room Temperature
- 1 Cup Granulated Sugar
- ½ Cup + 2 Tbls. Unsalted Butter, Melted
- ½ Cup Milk at Room Temperature
- 1½ Tsp. Vanilla Extract
- ¼ Cup Hot (about 120°) Water



DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Set 2 eggs and ½ cup milk out on the counter for a half hour to come up to room temperature.
- 2. Preheat your oven to 325°. Grease and flour an $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " loaf pan (I use a tbls. of flour mixed with a tbls. of cocoa powder).
- 3. Place the butter in a small pan and melt it halfway over low heat. Once it's halfway, remove it from the heat and stir it until it is completely melted and set aside (this way the butter isn't hot enough to cook the eggs when it's added to the batter).
- 4. Place the flour, cocoa powder, baking powder, cinnamon and salt in a large mixing bowl and stir together with a whisk. Set aside.
- 5. Place the eggs and sugar in a medium bowl and whisk together until just combined.
- 6. Add in the melted butter, milk and vanilla extract and whisk until combined.
- 7. Pour the melted butter mixture into the flour mixture and stir with a spoon or rubber scraper until almost combined. Once almost combined, add the hot water and stir until completely combined.
- 8. Pour the mixture into the prepared pan and bake for 40-45 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean (a few crumbs are fine). Let the cake cool in the pan for half an hour, remove from the pan, and let cool another half hour on a wire rack. Slice and ENJOY!