

The Bible Doesn't Say That - Part 1

"For you, O Lord, have been a defense for the helpless, a defense for the needy in distress, a refuge from the storm." **Isaiah 25:4**

He who trusts in himself is a fool... **Proverbs 28:26**

"My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth." **Psalm 121:2**

"Cursed is the strong one who depends on himself, who thinks he can make it on muscle alone and sets God aside as dead weight. He's like a tumbleweed on the prairie... but blessed is the man who trusts God... the woman who sticks with God for they are like trees replanted in Eden."
Jeremiah 17:5-8 (MSG)

²⁵ *"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?"* ²⁶ *Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?"* ²⁷ *Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?*

²⁸ *"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?"*

³¹ *So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'*

³² *For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.*

³³ *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.* **Matthew 6:25-33**

The sluggard's craving will be the death of him, because his hands refuse to work. **Prov. 21:25**

Even while we were with you, we gave you this command: "Those unwilling to work will not get to eat." **2 Thessalonians 3:10 (NLTSE)**

¹⁴ *So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then. ¹⁵ But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy.* **1 Peter 1:14-15**

¹² *Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.* **Phil. 2:12-13**

"Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.'" **Matthew 16:24**

¹ *As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ² in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. ³ All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. ⁴ But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.*
Ephesians 2:1-5 (NIV)

¹³ *You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. ¹⁴ He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.* **Colossians 2:13-14 (NLTSE)**

