



Week 1: God Helps those who Help Themselves

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Matthew 16:25-26 MSG

Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. What kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? What could you ever trade your soul for?

Genesis 2:16-17 NIV

And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

Genesis 3:2-3 NIV (Underline the part Eve added)

The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"

Scheme of the Enemy:

1. He Questions God's _____
 2. He Contradicts God's _____
 3. We _____ our actions
- Our salvation from God is by his Grace.
 - Our service with God is for His Glory.

2 Chronicles 16:9 NIV

...the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

God does **not help** those who help themselves...

God helps those who are _____ to Him.