

# Rocket engineer recalls role in Apollo 11 mission: 'We've got to get to the moon somehow'



# SEEK FIRST

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“Your greatest danger is letting the urgent things crowd out the important.”

Cotton-Mill Mgr., Tyranny of the Urgent, 1967

Seek first the Kingdom of God and  
His Righteousness and all these  
things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

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- **30-33** “If God gives such attention to the appearance of wildflowers—most of which are never even seen—don’t you think he’ll attend to you, take pride in you, do his best for you? What I’m trying to do here is to get you to relax, to not be so preoccupied with *getting*, so you can respond to God’s *giving*. People who don’t know God and the way he works fuss over these things, but you know both God and how he works. Steep your life in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don’t worry about missing out. You’ll find all your everyday human concerns will be met.
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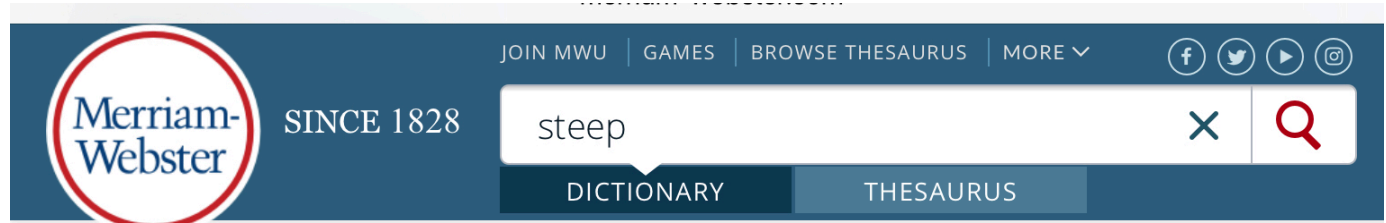
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- **R**eality
- **I**nitiative
- **P**rovision

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## steep verb

steeped; steeping; steeps

### Definition of *steep* (Entry 3 of 4)

*transitive verb*

- 1 : to soak in a liquid at a temperature under the boiling point (as for softening, bleaching, or extracting an essence)
- 2 : to cover with or plunge into a liquid (as in bathing, rinsing, or soaking)
- 3 : to saturate with or subject thoroughly to (some strong or pervading influence)

// practices *steeped* in tradition

*intransitive verb*

: to undergo the process of soaking in a liquid

## Matthew 11:28-30 English Standard Version (ESV)

<sup>28</sup> Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

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### English Standard Version (ESV)

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## Matthew 11:28-30 The Message (MSG)

<sup>28-30</sup> “Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.”

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# Chuck Swindoll

If I am to seek first in my life God's kingdom and God's righteousness, then whatever else I do ought to relate to that goal: where I work, with whom I spend my time, the one I marry, or the decision to remain single. Every decision I make ought to be filtered through the [Matthew 6:33](#) filter: where I put my money, where and how I spend my time, what I buy, what I sell, what I give away.

Living out the kingdom life means that everything must remain before the throne and under the authority of the ruler. Everything must be held loosely.

What tangibles are you holding onto? What are you gripping tightly? Have they become your security? Are you a slave to some image? Some name you're trying to live up to? Some job? Some possession? Some person? Let me give you a tip. If you cannot let it go, it's a priority to you. It is impossible to be a slave to things or people and at the same time be a faithful servant of God.

Life places before us hundreds of possibilities. Some are bad. Many are good. A few, the best. But each of us must decide, "What is my choice? What is my reason for living?" In other words, "What priority takes first place in my life?"

if my people, who are called by my name, will  
humble themselves and pray and seek my face.  
and turn from their wicked ways,  
then I will hear from heaven,  
and I will forgive their sin and  
will heal their land.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart  
Lean NOT on your own understanding  
In ALL your way acknowledge Him  
And He will make your path straight