

# Seek First His Kingdom

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# TRUTH:

Life is so ironic,  
it takes sadness to know what happiness is,  
noise to appreciate the silence  
and absence to value the presence.

- Anon

But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; <sup>28</sup> and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, <sup>29</sup> that no flesh should glory in His presence.

“Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup> For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

# Matthew 6:33 NKJV

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

# Philippians 4:6 NKJV

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

Now it happened, on a certain day, that He got into a boat with His disciples. And He said to them, “Let us cross over to the other side of the lake.” And they launched out. <sup>23</sup> But as they sailed He fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling *with water*, and were in jeopardy. <sup>24</sup> And they came to Him and awoke Him, saying, “Master, Master, we are perishing!”

Then He arose and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water. And they ceased, and there was a calm. 25 But He said to them, “Where is your faith?” And they were afraid, and marveled, saying to one another, “Who can this be? For He commands even the winds and water, and they obey Him!”

Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.

# QUESTION:

Do I trust God with my needs  
or do I acquire what I can and ask God to bless it?

# TRUTH:

Christianity is not the pursuit of things  
and adding God to the equation.

Christianity is pursuing God  
and relying on Him to give us what we need.

-P.D.

NKJV

For all seek their own, not the things which are of Christ Jesus.

NLT

All the others care only for themselves and not for what matters to Jesus Christ.

# TRUTH:

If you don't feel like praying, force it.  
Because something is also forcing you not to pray.

- Anon

Once I was young, and now I am old.  
Yet I have never seen the godly abandoned  
or their children begging for bread.

Seek the LORD while you can find him.  
Call on him now while he is near.