

*“Can God Really
Meet Your Need?”*

His eye is on the Sparrow



So, I know He is watching over me

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*“And my God shall supply all your need
according to His riches in glory by
Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:19*

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Introduction

One thing we all have in common as humans is the fact that we have needs. Here is an acronym I came up with for the word needs. **N**ever **E**nding **E**merging **D**rive for **S**atisfaction.

There will be times in life when a person will experience some sort of need. Just to name a few. Some needs are materialistic; because this is where many people focus their way of survival in a world which conforms us to believe to be happy, we need material things. Then there will be times when we will have emotional needs. Why, because as humans we have emotions/feelings, hence then we are vulnerable of developing needs to be emotionally touched. Then there are needs which are of physical in nature like some sort of an itch and so we develop a need to be scratched. Then there can be a time in someone's life when they we will face a day when the greatest of all need is that of a spiritual need.

Now, some people are just needy due to some form of curse brought upon them themselves. Malachi 3:8-12. Man is cursed because man fails to try God in everything. The lack of trying God causes a person to try satisfying their self through self or through some other means other than by God. Hence, God's word says you are cursed with a curse by violating your expected trust in God in everything.

What are some characteristics of a needy person? 1) Every time you are together, you find yourself always having to listen to their problems. 2) You only hear from them when they feel bad. 3) They never really feel better, no matter how anyone tries to help. 4)

If you try to talk about yourself, they don't seem to really care. 5) When you end a conversation with them, you feel exhausted.

How to deal with needy people? 1) Limit your contact. 2) Avoid getting pulled into their way of life. 3) Avoid being too nice to them. 4) Do not compromise your values for their crushes.

I will conclude this introduction with this statement. Needs not met will affect us mentally, physically and spiritually. Hence, it's vital that we learn how to get them met.

I) What are we to do when needs rise?

There are times when we have reached the end of the line. We have done everything we know what to do to meet our need. We have exhausted every resource and are left with the reality of our own inability to satisfy the need staring us in the face. So, what do we do?

The natural reaction for many is to worry, but we know from scripture that this is not God's will for our lives, for Philippians 4:6 says, we are to *"be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God"*.

The other natural thing to do when needs rise is to doubt. Listen, the devil and the flesh love to whisper to your mind this, "do you think God can really meet that need?" If we are not careful of being aware of this type of thoughts, we can find ourselves allowing deception to win the battle. But the answer to any negative thought to any concern we may have should always be "yes, God Can!"

The spiritual reaction to a need is to read God's word, find a scripture to convince you that God is able and then pray for God to supply the need. Also, take note of any requirement of you to fulfill in order for God to supply the need. Then after you have prayed then what? The answer is given to us in the scripture when the Lord Jesus Christ answered the disciples in Mark 11:22-24, "*Have faith in God.*" Whether God delivers the need through a person, or by a supernatural way, faith in the word and God is necessary to see the satisfaction of your need come to pass.

II) I want to give us two aspects relating to needs that rise to those who are Children of God.

1) Sometimes our needs rise from just being obedient to the will of God. You may just be doing what God has told you and out of being obedient a need rises.

There are times when you seem to be doing everything just like you are supposed to be doing it. You are paying your tithes, you are going to church, you are living right and still there are troubles and problems that come into your life resulting in a need to be met. Listen, this should not take you by surprise because Jesus said it would be this way, in John 16:33, Jesus said, "*in the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world*".

2) Sometimes a need may rise from circumstances beyond your control.

There are times when by no fault of your own you find yourself caught up in unpleasant situation that brings a need into

your life. For some reason or another, these types of needs seem to be able to find their way to us on their own.

Sometimes life just does not go the way we want it to go and there is not a thing we have done to cause it to go that way, nor is there much we can do to stop it. Often, pain, sorrow and trouble are just part of the human experience.

I want you to know that the Lord has promised to meet our needs, in Philippians 4:19, the bible says, *“But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory.”* This is regardless to any condition we find ourselves in.

The future is always uncertain and we never know what kind of need may rise, but we have the precious promise of the Lord that He is with us, that He knows the way we should take, and that He will look out for us all the way!

We may not know what will come in the morning, but we do know God has already been to our tomorrows. He knows what will happen and He has already made preparation for us. No matter where the road of life leads; no matter what problems may rise; God is always ready with the necessary means to meet the need.

III) Faith in God to meet your need must be manifest in four areas of your Faith in God.

1) You must have Faith in the Will of God

Often God's will and our will are two entirely different things. But the secret of getting your need met by God is trusting that God knows what is best for your life and by being willing to submit to His will even when you do not understand it.

One aspect of God's will is God's desirable will. This has to do with what gives God pleasure in showing His love, mercy, kindness, and favor towards you.

2) You must have Faith in the Ways of God

If you try to sit around and worry about what's happening in your life and if you spend your time trying to figure out what God is doing, you could probably lose faith in God. Listen, it could be possible to at times understand God and yet at the same time not totally understand God. If we could always totally understand and figure God out, then God would cease to be God to us, and we would then begin to think we can be God. If you or I were God, then we could supply our needs and we won't need God anymore. We must have faith in the great truth that God knows what is best and learn to trust God's ways. Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 37:5.

3) You must have Faith in the Word of God

When we read the statement of David in Psalm 37:25, "*I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread*", we must place our faith in that word. Never forget, the devil will lie to you, the world will lie to you, your family and friends will lie to you, but you can rest assured that while the universe stands and there is a great God in Heaven, He will never lie to you. And, if God said that He would look after your needs, then you can take that to the bank and know that it will draw interest forever. You must find your place by faith in the Word of God.

4) You must have Faith in the Wonders of God

Now for me, the most powerful wonder of God is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. That Jesus was raised from the dead. Therefore, there is nothing impossible for God to do. Here rests one of the great keys to getting your needs met by God. It is simply coming to the place where you just believe God is big enough to handle your needs. It is reaching that place in your spirit filled life where Paul wrote in Ephesians 3:20, *“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that work in us”*, that you will live life with great excitement and with great expectation that whatever is needed it is on its way to you.

Living by faith requires you to get beyond “God could, and God might”, and moved to a place where you are confident that “God can, and God will”. Faith looks beyond the present and sees that God has worked it all out for your future. Are you there yet?

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