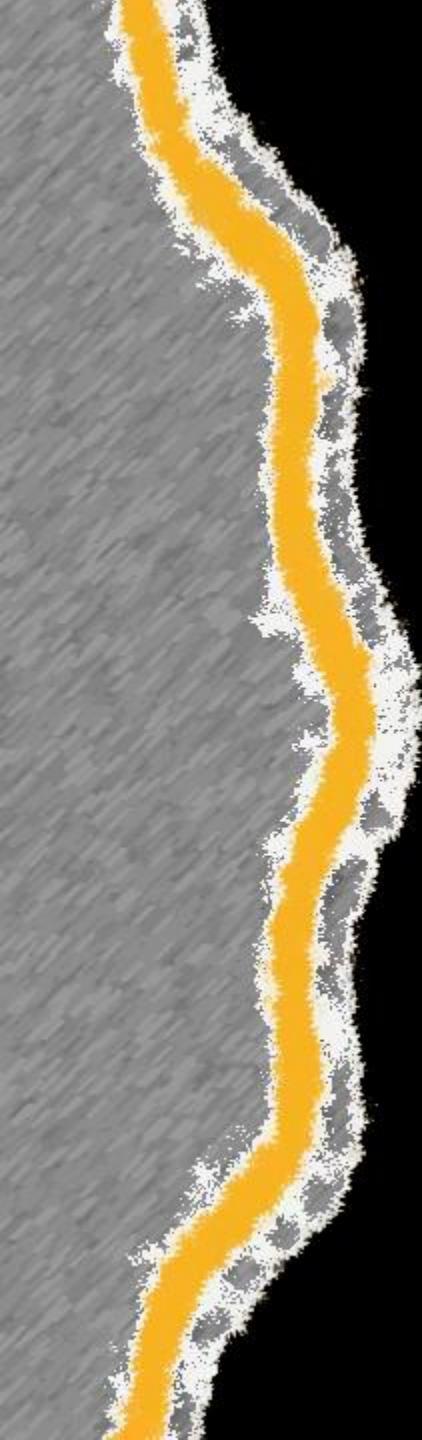


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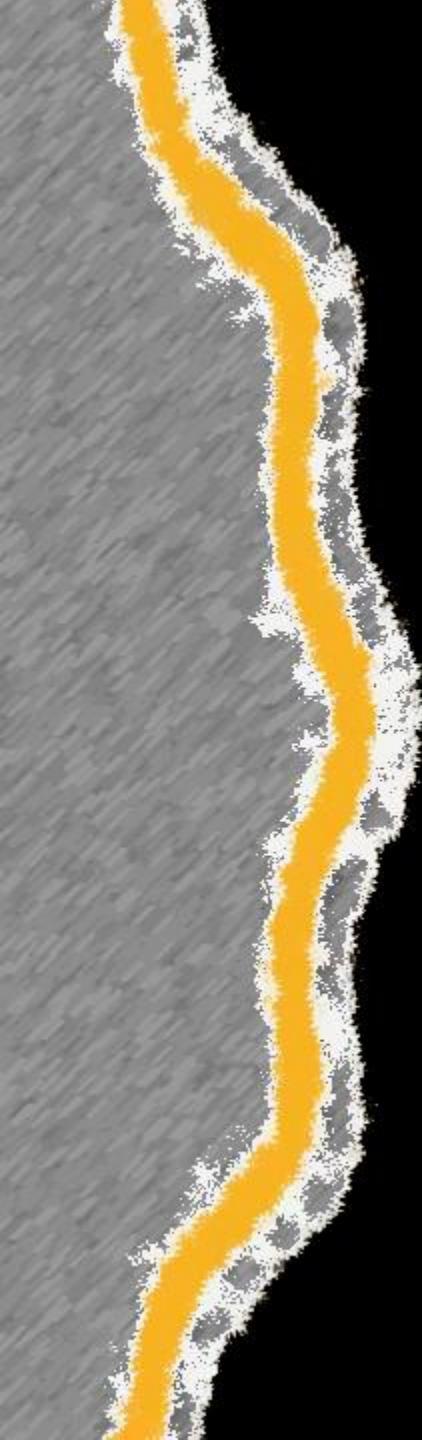
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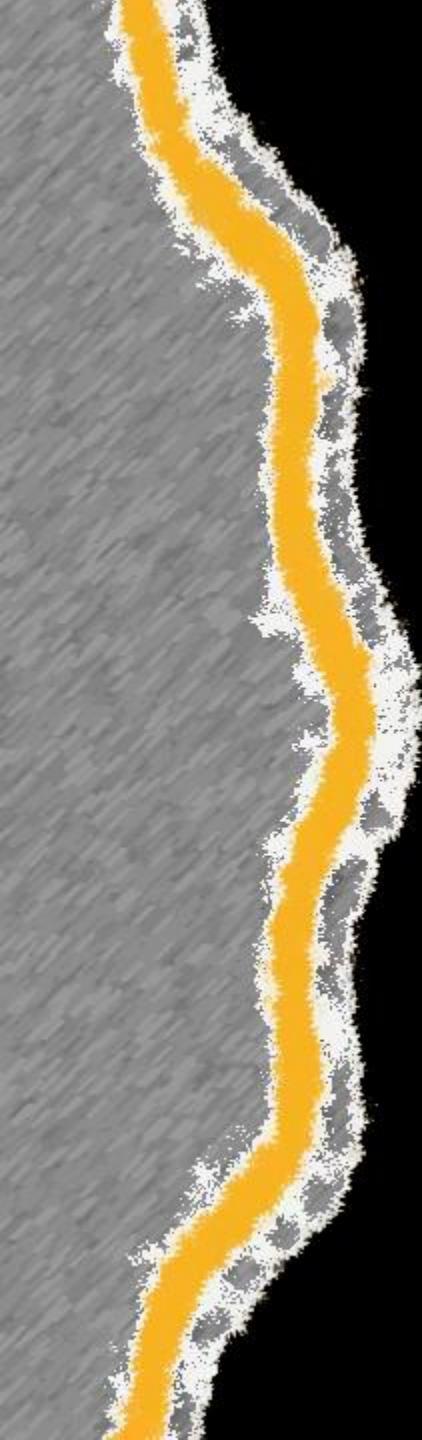
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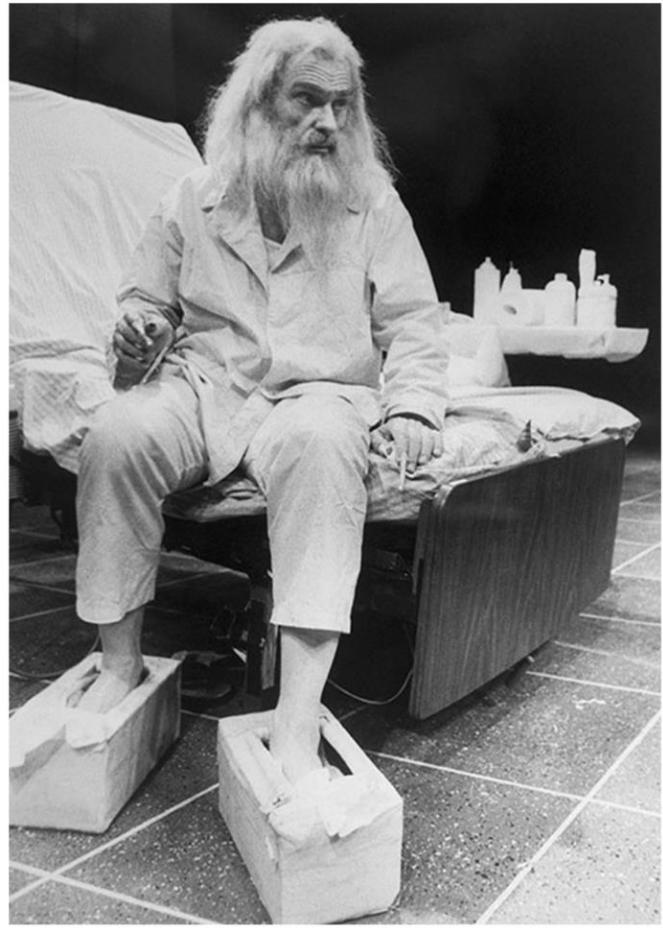




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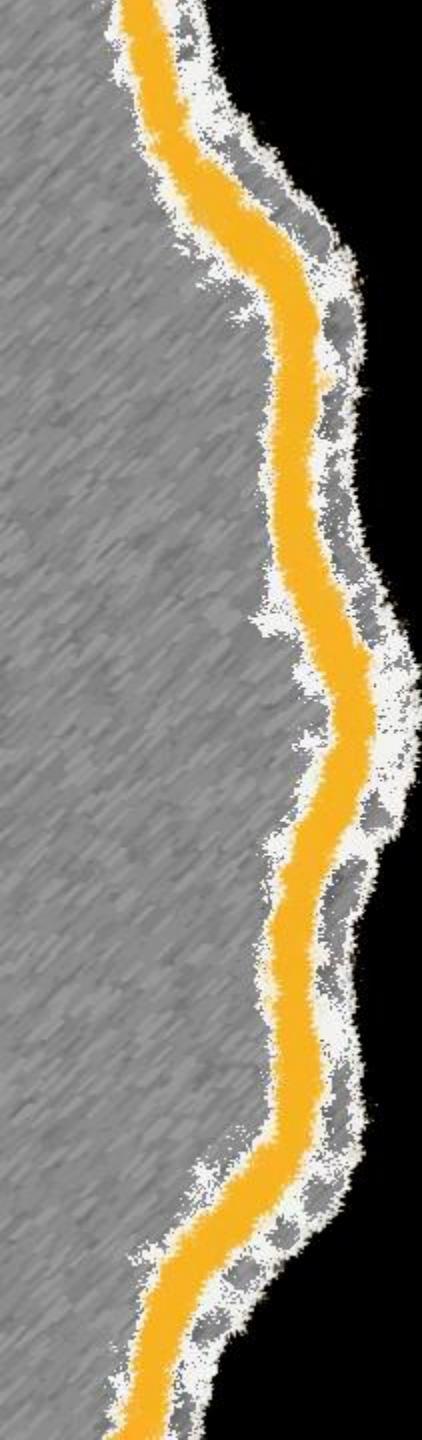
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“Just one more dollar.”
- *Howard Hughes, billionaire*

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Luke 12:16-21

Jesus told this parable:
"The ground of a certain
rich man produced
a good crop.

He thought to himself,
‘What shall I do? I have no
place to store my crops.’



Luke 12:16-21

“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.



Luke 12:16-21

And I'll say to myself,
“You have plenty of good
things laid up for many
years. Take life easy; eat,
drink and be merry.””

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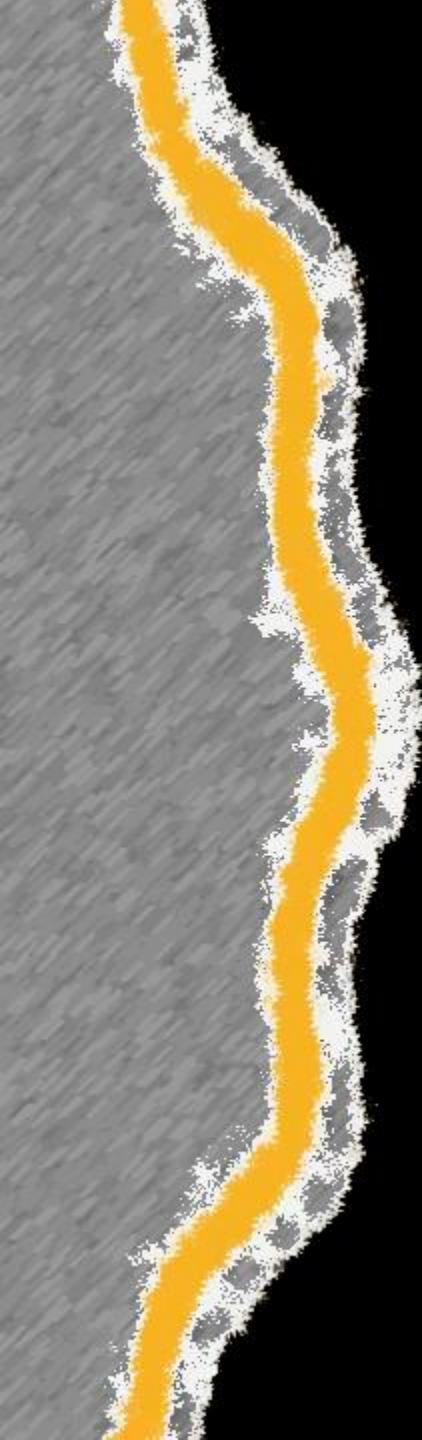
“But God said to him,
‘You fool! This very night
your life will be demanded
from you. Then who
will get what you have
prepared for yourself?’

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Luke 12:16-21

“This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God.”

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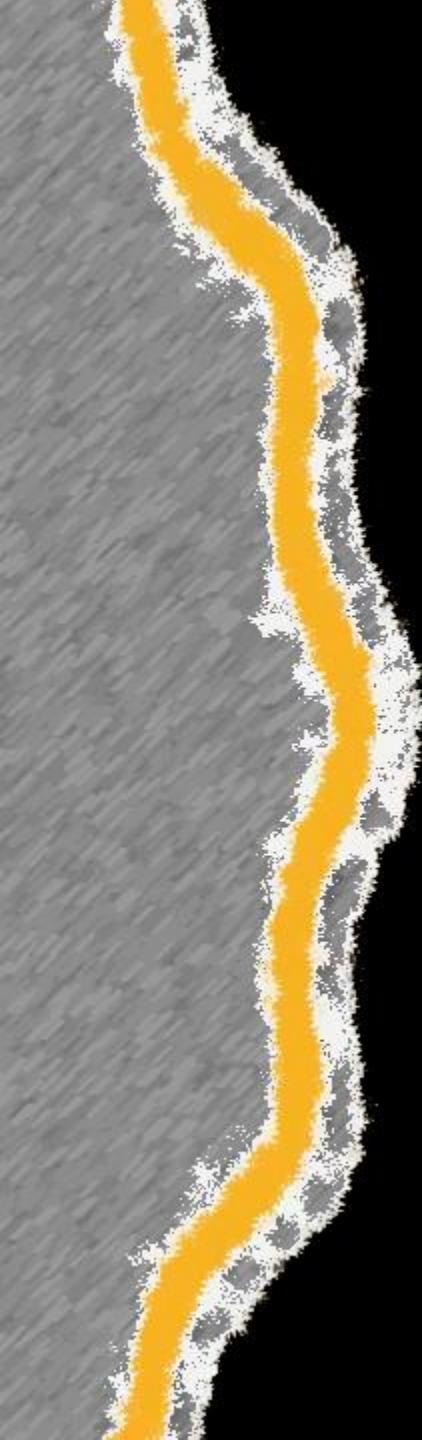
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**BUT...DOES MONEY
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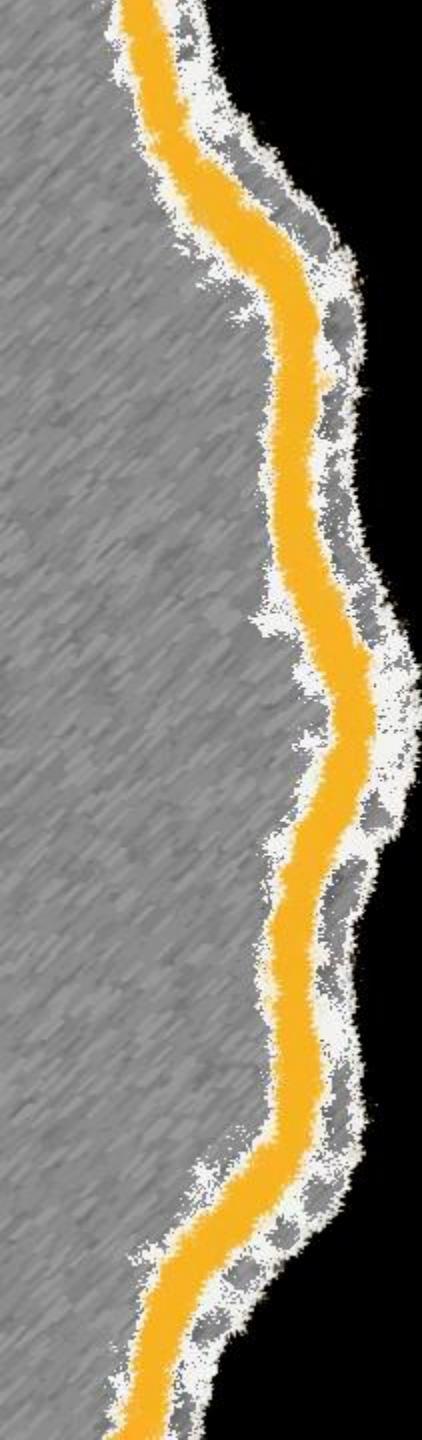
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Ecclesiastes 5:19

“When God gives any man wealth and possessions, and enables him to enjoy them, to accept his lot and be happy in his work — this is a gift of God.”





**“Money is either
a god in our minds
or it is
God’s tool in our hands.”**

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Whose MINE
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Deuteronomy 8:18

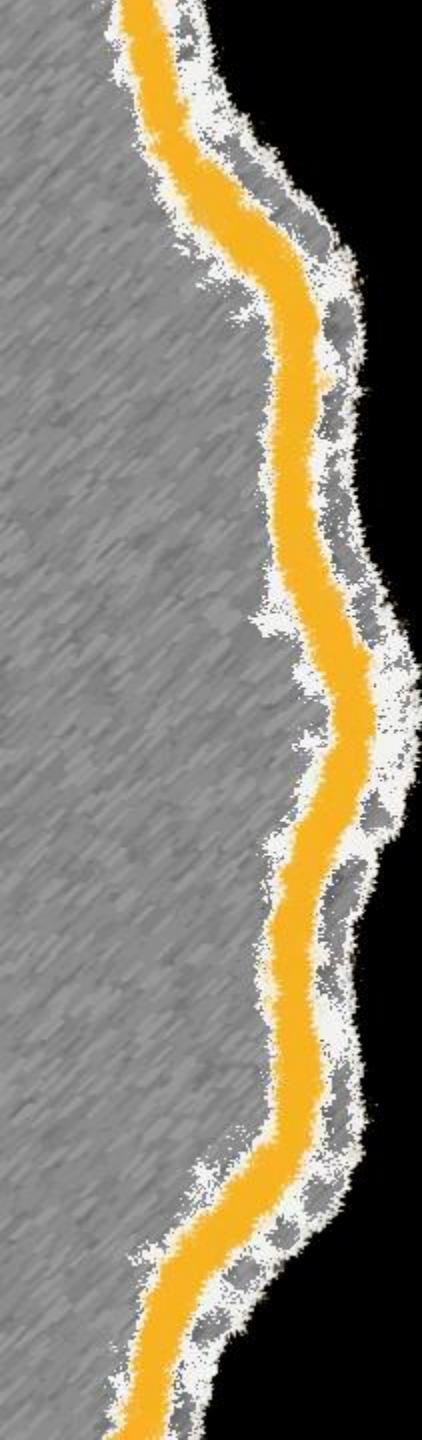
“But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your forefathers, as it is today.”

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Psalm 24:1

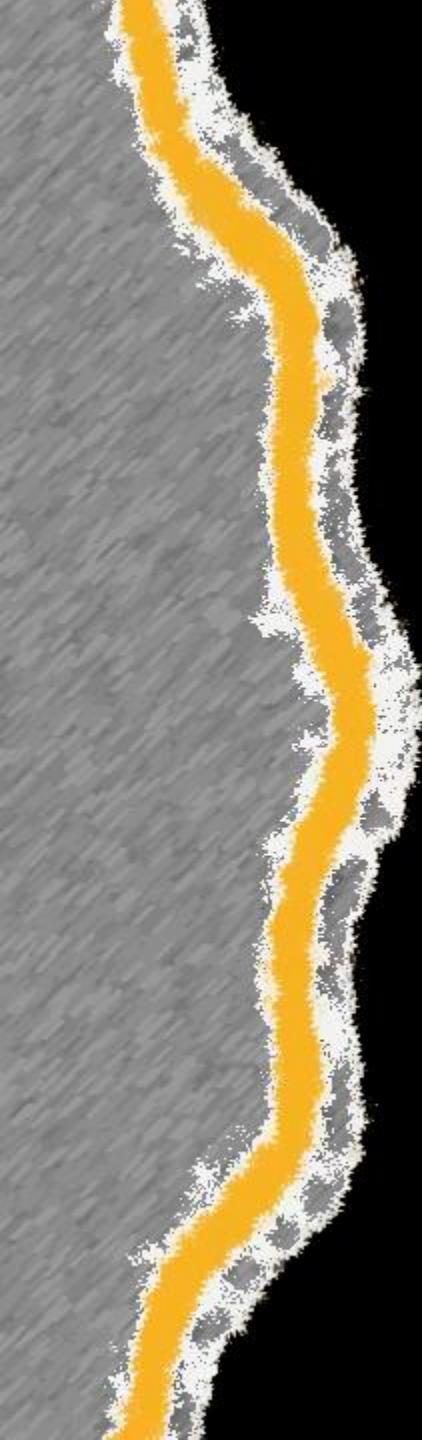
“The earth is the Lord’s,
and everything in it...”

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IT'S NOT ABOUT
THE 10%...

BUT THE 100%

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So...
whose MINE
is it anyway?

Is it YOURS
or is it the LORD'S?

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“It’s MINE!”

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1 Timothy 6:17-19

“Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment...

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1 Timothy 6:17-19

“Command them to do good,
to be rich in good deeds,
and to be generous and
willing to share.

In this way they will lay up
treasure for themselves as a
firm foundation for the
coming age...

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1 Timothy 6:17-19

“...so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.”

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“No one has ever
become poor by
giving.”

- *Anne Frank*

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Matthew 6:24-31

“No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money...



Matthew 6:24-31

“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 important than food, and the body more important than clothes?...

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Matthew 6:24-31

“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? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?



Matthew 6:24-31

“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.



Matthew 6:24-31

“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, O you of little faith? ...



Matthew 6:24-31

“So do not worry, saying,
‘What shall we eat?’ or
‘What shall we drink?’ or
‘What shall we wear?’

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



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“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

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