



Reflections and Revelations
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The Famished Soul

Proverbs 10:3 (NKJV): "The Lord will not allow the righteous soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the wicked."

I have read this verse more times than I can remember, but today it jumped off the page like I had never read it before. I have always read this verse in terms of God not allowing the righteous to go hungry, and even when I read the Life Application Bible notes, that was the interpretation given. However, my question is this: what if God is not talking about physical hunger, but spiritual hunger? If He was simply talking about the person not going hungry, why did He add the word, "soul?" What if this verse is linked to **Psalms 37:4**, "Delight yourself also in the Lord, And He shall give you the desires of your heart" (NKJV)? In other words, when my desires are righteous, God will not allow my soul to go unsatisfied, because the things I am longing for are the things He is also longing for; therefore He will guide me along the path of life that will help me fulfill those longings BECAUSE they bring glory, honor, and praise to His name. So ... If my soul is hungry after something to the point I feel famished, maybe, just maybe, I need to ask God if my desire is wicked. No matter how pure I may think a desire is, Proverbs does teach there is a way that may seem right to me, but the end of that way is death (**Proverbs 14:12 NKJV**). Hmm ... something to definitely ponder. Father, please give Your revelation to any that read this so we may each walk according to Your plan and not the plans the world so easily lays before us. In Jesus' name. Amen!

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