

Is anything too hard for the Lord? – Daily Supplies?

Genesis 18:14

14. (With regard to Sarah having a child) “Is any thing too hard for the Lord?”

Jeremiah 32:27

27. Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?

There are basic human needs that must be met on a regular, if not daily, basis. Food and drink, clothing, shelter, protection, support, and educational opportunities, are some to name a few. However, when viewing these needs in depth, they are much more complex than a superficial scan may indicate. The need for food and drink would necessitate a menu that would allow vitamin and nutrient needs be met, as well as satisfy a natural desire for variety. Clothing and shelter must meet the individual’s needs based on environment. Support, protection, and education are necessary to realize ones full potential. What happens when we are in danger of not having these things on a regular basis? When our labor cannot supply our needs? Can we have assurance that these things will be supplied if we live according to God’s commands?

Whatever the cause of our Daily Need, the question is: Is any such condition too hard for the Lord? The same Lord God who made the heaven and the earth?

FOOD AND DRINK

- **BIBLICAL EXAMPLE:** *Adam and Eve – Noah - Joseph*

Genesis 2:8-9a And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. 9. And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food;

Genesis 41:35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

- **Application for us:** God not only created man but also provided for his existence. Adam and Eve had wonderful food and Joseph was given the wisdom to sustain nations during a prolonged drought. God knows what we need and has always provided it. We expect him to continue to do so according to his word. Remember to ask God to supply your needs as you work to fulfill his will for your life.

Acts 14:17. Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

Matthew 6:9-11 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. 11. Give us this day our daily bread.

CLOTHING:

- **BIBLICAL EXAMPLE:**

Genesis 3:7;21 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. 21. Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Deuteronomy 8:3-5 And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live.

4. Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years. 5. Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, so the Lord thy God chasteneth thee.

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- **Application for us:** Clothing is necessary. God provided sturdy clothing for Adam and Eve. He can provide for us as well. The Israelites wandered for 40 years in the wilderness and the clothes did not wear out. God can help us too. We may be allowed to do without for a while to understand that we live by what God says and not by what we have.

Luke 22:35. And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

SHELTER:

- **BIBLICAL EXAMPLE:**

Genesis 6:13-15 And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth. 14. Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. 15. And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of:

- **Application for us:** God is aware that we need shelter from the weather. Our bodies need the protection it provides and the comfort it affords. Homes come in a variety of shapes and sizes. What do you consider adequate shelter? Does your thoughts equal God's? (See John 14:1-3)

Isaiah 25:4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.

Matthew 23:37 ... how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

SUPPORT AND PROTECTION:

- **BIBLICAL EXAMPLE:**

Genesis 26:24...(to Isaac) fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee,

Genesis 28:15 (to Jacob) And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

- **Application for us:** God has always been active in his earthly work. He has not left us alone. He is always present, beholding, helping. We are not alone but surrounded by Jesus and a cloud of witnesses. (Hebrews 12:1-2)

Hebrews 13:5-6 5. Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. 6. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

When unable to meet the daily needs of self or family, remember that nothing is too hard for God. Sometimes God may not provide in ways we would desire, however, God has promised to meet the daily needs of his people. In all situations, we must trust that God will do what is best.

Comforting thoughts....

- God knows our needs

Matthew 6:8b for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

- Contentment is invaluable

1 Timothy 6:6-8 But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 8. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.