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Every day I put water in Max's and Chloe's bowl. I feed them morning and evening as well. They know how to beg, but they don't have too. I feed them anyway. Is it strange that I don't forget? Max and Chloe have no idea America is in a great recession. They don't seem worried. They trust me, they believe in me and they look up to me. If I do that for my dogs, shall God be out done by me? I think not.

Paul said it well, "But my God shall provide all you needs according to his riches in Christ Jesus." There are lay offs, plant closings, down-turns and turn offs, but God's portfolio is still sound.

God knows what we need, but the best things in life are still free. When was the last time you took a deep breath? People forget to breath. I mean, a deep breath, hold it, hold it, hold it, now slowly let it out. Not only is our respiratory system a marvel of intelligent design, every breath is free. Tap water is almost free. God took two molecules of Hydrogen and one molecule of Oxygen and made H₂O, water. Have a glass on me. Enjoy. Smile. It's free. It costs you nothing. Smile at someone and you not only touch another soul, but you infect someone with momentary happiness that will bless and perhaps help heal them.

No need to buy Vitamin D, God put it in the sunshine. Vitamin D is used by the body to help absorb calcium. Calcium is necessary for strong bones. Isaiah might have just as well have said "and he that hath no money come, come get vitamin D." God feeds the sparrow. They don't worry. You are worth much more than sparrows. God has hidden all we need within our reach or at least within the reach of our imagination.

But our greatest need, is to be restored into a right relationship with God. The cost of such a restoration is beyond the reach of the richest man, therefore God made that free of cost to us. Jesus paid it all. Not only did He pay our sin debt, but He purchased a place in heaven for us. Praise God. No, I really mean it, go ahead, praise God. That also is free.

Capital Gains- *Some tips for Taxing Times*

1. Make wise investments. (Mt. 16:26). What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul? Don't invest in the wrong things. Always ask yourself, "will this expenditure bring me and others closer to God?" Moses must have weighed his options before he decided that all the treasures of Egypt were not worth his soul.

2. Don't worry about your losses. (Phil. 3:8). Paul said I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ. Paul did not cry over his stock losses and disappearing 401k. As a matter of fact, he did not have a 401k, or life insurance, or CD's, or annuities. What he did have was and understanding that everything we "lose" for Christ shows up in another account at the end of the day when God balances

Fulfilled

There is a God in Heaven Who has a wondrous plan
He has a will and purpose for every single man
for every child and woman and He fills each tiny seed
with hope for each tomorrow and all we'll ever need.

Inside of every acorn is the blueprint for an oak
and a seal for every promise and for every word He
spoke.

The God of all the Universe delights to help the weak
heal the sick, give blind their sight, and cause the
dumb to speak.

It seemed that evil had prevailed the day that Christ
was killed,
but even in the darkness was the will of God fulfilled
Dark nights don't last forever, soon comes the Easter
morn
to find and serve the Savior, the reason we were
born.

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the books.

3. Keep valuables in a safe place. (Mt. 6:20). Jesus said, “Don’t lay up treasures on earth where moth and rust doth corrupt and thieves break through and steal. Instead, lay treasures up in heaven.

4. Don’t invest too much in depreciating items. (Mt. 6:19). A car is a depreciating item a house (in general) is a appreciating item. It increases in value. The idea of going to the Father’s house gets more and more precious with each passing day.

5. Practice Appreciation. Godliness with contentment is great gain. (1Tim. 6:6) Most financial problems people have is not because of lack of money, but rather lack of contentment. Jesus said, if you have a coat, be happy with it. If you have two coats, give one away. Godliness tempers contentment. It is not just having what we want, but wanting what we have.

6. Give what you can. (Lk. 6:38). The greatest thing about having is having the ability to give. When Christ left this world He had accumulated nothing. There were no estate sales, no auctions, no flea markets. While Christ’s carbon footprint was miniscule, His foot steps were majestic. While no one is large

enough to fill His shoes (sandals), we are all invited to walk in His steps. Jesus said “give and it shall be given, pressed down, shaken together, and running over...” Had the rich young ruler realized that he could not out-give God, he would have gladly given everything to the poor and followed Jesus. Instead, he went away sorrowing.

7. Beware the deceitfulness of riches (Mt.13:22). There is something seductive about possessing wealth. It is deceitful because it hides the greatest truth that should be pressed on the coin of every life. “In God we Trust.”

8. Watch your Credit (Prov. 22:7). The borrower is servant to the lender. Live within your means. Satan will gladly lend you money for stuff you don’t need and then charge you outrageous interest rates you cannot possibly begin to pay.

9. Inheritance-You’re in the Will. (1Pet. 1:4). The Bible speaks of an inheritance reserved in heaven for you. This does not say that heaven is the inheritance (even though that would be enough), it says an inheritance reserved “in” heaven for you. What will await the believer in heaven is what they sent on ahead of their arrival. “God so loved the

world that He gave...” Giving is living. He lives the most who gives the most. No one gave or gives more than God. In heaven we will realize, we should have given more.

10. The best things in life are free. Just ask a sick person. It sounds trite, but it is truth. The best of the best things is salvation and it is still free. Today, God is giving it away. It is not, nor ever was cheap. As a matter of fact nothing in the universe is more expensive, but Christ paid for our salvation on the cross. Romans eight reminds us that if God gave us His Son, how much more will He not give us all the other things we need. Rich! I am rich. Eureka! I am rich. ☹️

Victorious

Valleys deep or giants large
are nothing to the King
Be brave, for GOD, He is in charge
He guides the stone and sling
Trust, although the flood arise
or clouds pour on you head
Salvation to faith is no surprise
when God does what He said
Tremble not in lion’s den
or before some cross of pain
“I can do all things,” He said
our labor’s not in vain
Be brave and remember all God gave
but most of all His Son
He conquered both these: sin and grave
and in Christ we’ve already won- id

“And Pilate said....Make it sure as you can.” Matthew 27:65



Put your faith in the One who is more powerful than Governments

Angel Food

“He is not here, for He is risen as He said.”

1. Liberation
2. Vindication
3. Validation

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