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WISE LIVING IN A FOOLISH WORLD

Discover God's Wisdom
for Today's Challenges

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Today's
Wisdom
Thought is:



Psalm 55:16 — As for me, I call to God, and the Lord saves me.

1st / WHEN I AM CHALLENGED WHAT IS MY FIRST THOUGHT?

John 12:6 — He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

Psalm 34:17 — The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.

James 1:5 — If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

Isaiah 41:13 — “For I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you!”

Jeremiah 33:3 — “Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.”

And our Wisdom verse today — David said:

Psalm 55:16 — As for me, I call to God, and the Lord saves me!

2nd / WHEN CHALLENGE COMES YOUR WAY — WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST CONCERN?

First, look at King David ...

Psalm 50:15 NASB — Call upon me in the day of trouble; I shall rescue you, and you will honor me.

Psalm 46:1 NASB — God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Look at St. Paul ...

Romans 12:12 NASB — Rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer.

That's the way we roll!

2 Corinthians 6:4 NASB — But in everything commending ourselves as servants of God, in much endurance, and afflictions, and hardships, and distresses.

2 Corinthians 4:17 NASB — For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison.

Paul's saying: suck it up, you'll come through it stronger if you pray first!

And listen to these words of Jesus:

John 14:1 NASB — “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me!”

John 14:27 NASB — Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.

1 Samuel 17:45,46 — DAVID said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel.”

3rd / WHAT WILL YOU DO WHEN GOD ANSWERS YOUR PRAYER?

Acts 2:42-47 — They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ ALL THE BELIEVERS WERE TOGETHER AND HAD EVERYTHING IN COMMON. ⁴⁵ THEY SOLD PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS TO GIVE TO ANYONE WHO HAD NEED. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the Temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Luke 18:10-14 — “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself, and prayed: ‘God, I thank you, that I am not like other people — robbers, evildoers, adulterers — or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a 10th of all I get.’

“But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’

“I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

Psalm 55:22 — Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous be shaken.