

Dare to Trust

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*"He answered: It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone," "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." **Mat 4:4; Mat 6:33.***

The question which the enemy put to our Lord has to be resolved in every aspect of life. Where do bread and bread-getting come in? Is it to be our last consideration or our first? According to the enemy's way of looking at life, the bread question is predominant, and according to the Lord, subsidiary. Have you ever sincerely contemplated which method is yours, and what you would do if you had to choose in any dire circumstance?

This temptation that our Lord faced happens to every one of us. Sooner or later, whether on the lone mountainside or in the crowded streets of life, the enemy approaches us with the idea that we must survive. And in the last resort, we must make sustenance, abandoning attentiveness to purity, truth, honor of God, and Eternity to come in as the less critical, secondary priority!

At every critical turning point of the inner life, these two approaches are proposed: the enemy says: "*Make these stones into bread*"; Jesus says: "*Man shall not live by bread alone, but by the word of God.*" We must choose between the Lord and mammon. We are subject to hunger attacks in several parts of our nature. For food, the enemy tempts us to snatch it; for love, we are tempted to satisfy it in a worldly manner; for knowledge, we are prone to seek it in ways that are not illuminated by the Spirit of truth.

Our God, who gave us these appetites and cravings, knows that we need nourishment. The body is more than food, and if He supplied for the one, He is capable of meeting the other. Furthermore, the angels are even now in route to you, commissioned to bring with them supplies for every need in your life! Do not step out of the will of God and act at the dictate of distractions! They that wait on Him will not be ashamed. Recall the angel that prepared Elijah's meal in the desert? If you dare to trust and wait for Him, even if there be but an inch between you and death, He will provide for all your needs, according to His riches in glory.

"Trust in the LORD, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness." Psalms 37:3

At His service,
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