

## Things God will Not Give You Luke 11:10-13

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Luke 11:10-13 *For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. 11 If a son shall ask **bread** of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a **fish**, will he for a fish give him a serpent? 12 Or if he shall ask an **egg**, will he offer him a scorpion? 13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?*

### **Fear you can't tolerate**

I have moments of fear. Gideon hid behind the winepress fearing the enemy that was stealing the food. The Bible has many references to instances of great men and women having a period of fear. I suppose we all have times of fear. This is human nature. Yet, it is not God's design for a child of God's to live day-by-day in a state of fear. No! No! No!

Fear, say the medical experts, can be worse than physical sickness. In 2010, I met a lady who stated that for the last 12 months, she had not been out of her house except to smoke cigarette on porch. Fear controlled her life.

2 Timothy 1:7 *For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.*

Hebrews 2:14-15 *Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; 15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.*

### **Temptation (to sin) you can't resist**

Every person has a besetting sin. Hebrews 12:1 *Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us,*

*and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.* I believe this to be a weakness of the flesh or even mind that haunts a child of God and entices them to sin. A besetting sin can cause awful conflict in a child of God's life. To make matters worse, Satan well knows what the sin is. It is, to Satan, like unto a "hot-button" he can push to bring temptation to sin into your mind and heart.

However, the Lord had made a way to overcome that besetting sin and any other temptation the Devil brings along.

*Joseph* could have had Potiphar's wife. He was young man in his physical prime, and she had him by the shirt. They were the only two in the house. However, God made a way.

I am thankful that *the Lord* recorded in his word the temptation of our Lord there in the wilderness Matthew chapter 4.

*I Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.*

*James 1:14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.*

### **Burdens you can't bear**

I have never been this discouraged. Along with the discouragement, I have had some physical challenges. The wife has some physical challenges. The church has challenges. I was 5'-8" a few weeks ago, and now I am 5'-0.

Elijah was burdened because Israel deserted God. He felt as if he were the only one left among the serving God. He lay beneath a juniper tree and desired to die. He was greatly burdened! Have you ever been this low? However, God lifted him up. Just at the right time, God appeared on the scene. Just as he planned to take that last breath beneath that tree where he laid, he smelled the bread in the oven. An angel appeared with food that propelled him another 40

days! Someone hear today is beneath the tree. You may be wishing today was your last day. God is about to bring you a loaf. Bless his name. He is a “right on time” God.

### **Job you can’t perform**

*Moses- I stutter. Send someone else. Exodus 4:10 And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.*

*Jeremiah- “Lord, I am but a child.” Jeremiah 1: 6 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child.” Jeremiah was called to be a prophet while he was in his mama’s belly.*

If God calls you, he will qualify you. He has one of two plans why he calls someone: he knows that person is already capable, or, he is about to send that person to school. If God calls you, he will equip you for the calling he has placed on your life.

### **Uncertain future of worry/doubt**

You can know where you stand today and where you are destined for tomorrow. I know we are faith-walkers and we travel by *faith* and not by *sight*, but we know for sure *where* the road ends. We just don’t know *when* it ends, but are certain it will end. Our faith shall end in sight. One day, when we reach heaven, we will no longer walk by faith. Praise is name.

*James 4:14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.*

*Proverbs 27:1 Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.*

Are you born again? Many walk a path of uncertainly regarding their future. Where does this road lead? What will next year be like? We do not even know what will happen tomorrow according to the book of James. Will I lose my job, my home? Will sickness come? These

are good questions. I do not know if I will have the cancer of my father. I do not know what my bank balance will be in 90 days. However, I know my final destination is Heaven where money, health, transportation, housing, and food will not be an issue. We pay out a ton of money on insurance.

For sure, the grave is not the end. There is a hell or a heaven beyond the grave. In fact, when someone dies, they arrive in their eternal destination before they ever reach the cemetery.