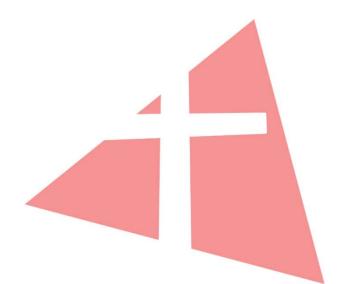
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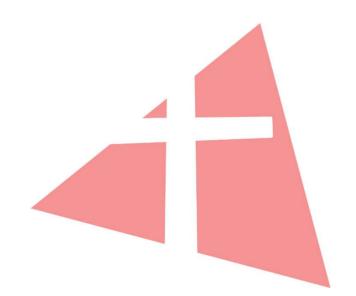
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LAST WEEK

o Our view of money

- God owns everything
- We are managers of God's possessions



GOD'S PROMISE

o "I will provide for all your needs"

• Not all our wants

Matthew 6:33 But seek you first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and <u>all these things</u> <u>shall be added unto you</u>.

Philippians 4:19 But my God shall <u>supply all your need</u> according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Psalms 37:25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his offspring begging bread.

OUR PART

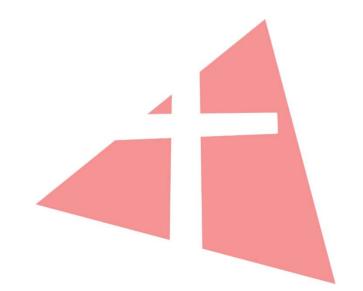
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GOD CAN PROVIDE IN CRAZY WAYS

• A few examples from the Bible



ELIJAH

1 Kings 17:2-6 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, Get you from here, and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, that is east of the Jordan. And it shall be, that you shall drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there. So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, that is east of the Jordan. And the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank of the brook.

ELIJAH

1 Kings 17:7-12 And it came to pass after a while, that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land. And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, Arise, get you to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain you. So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering sticks: and he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray you, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. And as she was going to bring it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray you, a morsel of bread in your hand. And she said, As the LORD your God lives, I have not bread, but a handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a jar: and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and prepare it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

ELIJAH

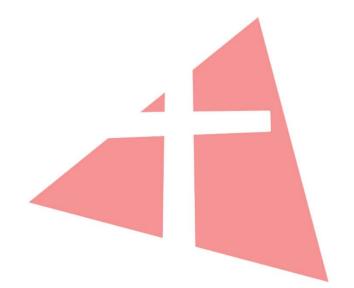
1 Kings 17:13-16 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as you have said: but make me from it a little loaf first, and bring it unto me, and after that make some for you and for your son. For thus says the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not run out, neither shall the jar of oil fail, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth. And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days. And the barrel of meal did not run out, neither did the jar of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spoke by Elijah.

PETER

Matthew 17:24-27 And when they came to Capernaum, they that received tribute money came to Peter, and said, Does not your teacher pay tribute? He said, Yes. And when he came into the house, Jesus preceded him, saying, What think you, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? of their own children, or of strangers? Peter said unto him, Of strangers. Jesus said unto him, Then are the children free. However, lest we should offend them, go to the sea, and cast a hook, and take up the fish that first comes up; and when you have opened its mouth, you shall find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and you.

AN EXAMPLE FROM US

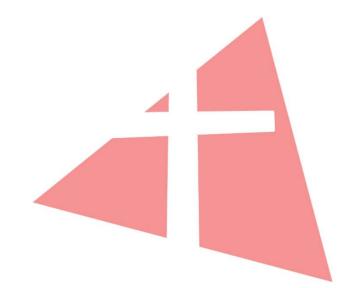
• Moving to Germany



2 THINGS EVERYBODY NEEDS

• Provisions

o Management of what we have



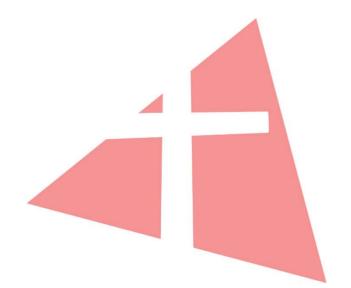
THE DIFFERENCE

• How the world works

- Provide for yourself
- Manage what you can make

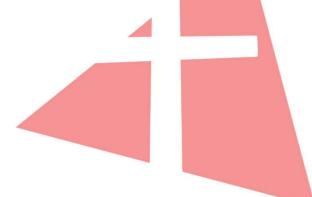
• God's kingdom

- Manage well what you have
- Then: God will provide



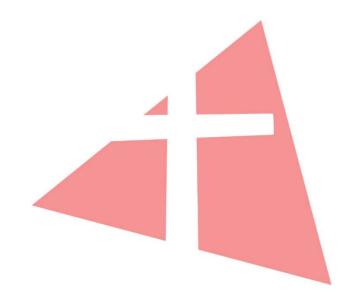
GOD'S PRINCIPLE

• God provides for all the needs of those who are following Him in all aspects of their lives



IF WE DON'T FOLLOW HIM

• All the worldly pressures will come back on us



IF WE DON'T FOLLOW HIM

Deuteronomy 28:48 Therefore shall you serve your enemies which the LORD shall send against you, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all things: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon your neck, until he has destroyed you.

Deuteronomy 28:65-67 And among these nations shall you find no ease, neither shall the sole of your foot have rest: but the LORD shall give you there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: And your life shall hang in doubt before you; and you shall fear day and night, and shall have no assurance of your life: In the morning you shall say, Would God it were evening! and at evening you shall say, Would God it were morning! because of the fear of your heart by which you shall fear, and because of the sight of your eyes which you shall see.

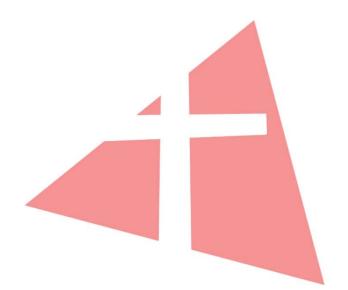
IF WE FOLLOW HIM

• We can experience joy and peace and safety in the midst of worldly chaos

FOLLOWING GOD WITH MONEY

o 3 categories

- Giving
- Spending
- Managing the rest



IN CONCLUSION

o God provides for all our needs

o Our role: Being obedient to His commandments and guidance of the Holy Spirit

• Then we can enjoy true security