

*"And the mixed multitude that was among them Fell A Lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, 'Who shall give us flesh to eat? We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic: But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes.'" Numbers 11:4-6 KJV*



Israel was glad for Deliverance until they got to the desert. They had witnessed miracles, the parting of the Red Sea, The Pillar of Cloud and Fire – shade by day and light by night, the thunder and fire of Sinai, and millions of gallons of fresh water from a solid rock, but as soon as they grew weary with the journey, they forgot the taskmaster's whip and longed only for the provisions of Egypt! Our flesh greedily longs for the pleasures of the sin laden corridors of our past that constantly lure us from the "Path of Righteousness." There were no "Thou shalt not's" in the "Egypt" of our past. There, the flesh greedily clamored for and was provided all we dared to venture. Then, the Blessed Holy Spirit convinced us of the Truth, that "the end thereof are the ways of death," and we believed. We Were Delivered from the velvet chains of lust and on the other side of the "Red Sea" of Calvary's Crimson Flow, our Lord Commanded And Sustained us as we Were Led to "a land flowing with milk and honey." Many times the journey grows wearisome and we begin to loathe God's Provision and allow lust to dominate our thoughts or we get to the "Promised Land" and compromise with the "inhabitants of the land;" namely the lusts of our flesh. God's Word and "meditating Therein day and night" is the only one way to avoid that. If a glass is full, there's room for nothing else. Empty spaces in our minds will fill with lust and sin and our heart becomes polluted. Our soul murmurs against the Lord and we greedily desire more than His Provision and it Angers Him. "Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the Anger of the LORD Was Kindled Greatly." Our questioning of His Perfect Provision is a direct lack of Faith and trust. We will have all we need if we simply trust and obey. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His Righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." When "God's manna" is not enough to satisfy our flesh, we begin to neglect prayer and meditation. Our absence from God's Presence causes our love to wane and with it our trust and confidence in God. Next, we indulge fondly in the memories of pleasure we had in sin, and then begin to murmur in our souls against the Loving Father Who Sustains us. God's Commands Are His Blessings and if we obey them we will lack for nothing. All Will Be Provided daily. God does not allow hoarding, because His Pantry Is Always Full – we only need come to Him and ask; "Give us this day our daily bread." Children take no thought for meals except to ask, "What's for dinner?" They have complete faith in their provider, but they have to eat their broccoli before dessert.

We fall to lusting when we stray,  
To sinful thoughts of yesterday,  
We only need the bread we pray,  
That God provides us for today. –CGP

Our plans for future needs are just that; OUR plans. Our dependence is on God not our wealth or supply. When we wander from that trust, we wander from Provision! "Holding Faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck: Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme." God may Give you just what you desire to destroy you!

*"Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; But even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the LORD Which Is Among you, and have wept before Him, saying, 'Why came we forth out of Egypt?'" Numbers 11:19-20 KJV*