



*“For the LORD God Is A Sun And Shield: the LORD Will Give Grace And Glory: No Good Thing Will He Withhold from them that walk uprightly.” *Psalms 84:11 KJV**

What is the condition of this Promise? One must “*uprightly.*” Walking uprightly is to live honestly in opposition of falseness or counterfeit ideas. If I obey God’s Word, I will surely “*walk uprightly,*” for It Is Absolute Truth! Next, I must consider what seems good to me may not be good for me at all. God knows me better than I know myself as well as the future, so I must trust His provision of my needs as He Sees them, not as I see them. Scriptural qualifiers of need are; “*having food and raiment, therewith be content. Contentment with Godliness (walking uprightly) is great gain.*” Contentment is the state of being cheerfully satisfied with what you have, even in the presence of the flouted abundance of others. You trust you have exactly what you need, because you obeyed God and trust His Word. “*The steps of a good man are Ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in His Way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD Upholdeth him with His Hand. I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the Righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread. Your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask Him; [and] Shall Supply all your NEED according to His Riches.*” Possessions are not the sum of your Father’s Provision if you walk uprightly. “*Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my Refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For He Shall Give His Angels Charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.*” Remember the delay that upset you? That near miss? That accident that almost happened? “*But seek ye First the Kingdom of God, and His Righteousness; and all these THINGS Shall Be Added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. If God Be For us, who can be against us?*” Walk with God and you’ll be content and safe!

No good Will God Withhold from me,
If I shall live contentedly,
If I will walk in righteousness,
My path abounds with Blessedness! –CGP

Covetousness, “*the lust of the eyes,*” is the destroyer of contentment. It keeps our focus on our “*have nots*” instead of God’s Provision. The essence of happiness is obeying God’s Word. Jesus Said, “*If ye know these Things, happy are ye if ye DO Them.*” It’s not the knowing of Truth, but the doing thereof that brings happiness! “*He that saith, ‘I know Him,’ and keepeth not His Commandments, is a liar, and the Truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth His Word, in him verily is the Love of God Perfected: hereby know we that we are in Him. He that saith he abideth in Him ought himself also so to walk, even as He walked.*” A friend used to say, “*Your walk talks and your talk, talks, but your walk talks more than your talk, talks.*” Your life will tell me all I need to know about your relationship with God. if you truly need something, God Will Give it you. We must learn to always seek His Wisdom for our desires to be content and happy with what we have.

“If any of you lack Wisdom, let him ask of God, that Giveth to all men Liberally, and upbraideth not; and it Shall Be Given him. But let him ask in Faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.” James 1:5-7 KJV