

*"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which He hath purchased with His own Blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." Acts 20:28-30 KJV*



Wolves are only concerned about their belly and how to fill it. They are hardly ever alone. They run in packs. Dogs are of the same family. For those of you that have dogs, have you noticed that they respond almost instantly to food? Those who prey on the Church of Jesus Christ are driven by lust for gain and are evil opportunists! They twist Truth to fill coffers and gratify lusts! Where did these self-proclaimed spiritual gurus find their great "truths?" God's written Word is given away by most any true Church and the Holy Spirit is the "Guide...into all Truth," not any man or religion! This does not, however, excuse your absence from the Assembly of believers. *Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the Day (Christ's return) approaching.* Faith merchants have done more to dilute and wound the "Assembly of the Firstborn" than persecution ever did! Vance Havner said, *Popularity has ruined more good preachers than persecution ever did!* Also, when we falsely believe mere mortals can better expound the Holy Writ than the Author Himself, it is tantamount to blasphemy! If you need guidance, go to your Pastor, but we usually don't, because we don't like what we hear and turn to self-proclaimed spiritual leaders to have our ears tickled. *"After their own lusts...they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears."* I'm not saying there aren't good books by Godly men. What I am saying is; God's Word should be your only standard of Truth against all writings of men. *Let God be true and EVERY man a liar!* If you are a true believer, your best spiritual Instructor is "the Spirit of Truth." I've seen many so-called ministers slide into the world of secular employment, because it pays better. Truth is not to be sold, but freely given away! God's ministers need no money! *I am the Good Shepherd: the Good Shepherd giveth His life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.* Eternity's Sovereign cares for their every need!

Beware the wolves that circle round,  
Seeking entry to hallowed ground,  
They seek to glorify proud self,  
And steal the faithful's Heav'nly wealth! ~CGP

God has proven Himself! It matters not even if He ceased all your earthly provision, because *"all things work together for good to them that love God and are the called according to His purpose!"* God can speak your provision into existence from nothing! Did the widow's oil cease? Death would only serve to release our soul to be with Christ in the glorious light of His Eternal Day! There's no downside to trusting God!

*"Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the Word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation (how they live). Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein." Hebrews 13:7-9 KJV*