Our Heavenly Father Cares for us

God is a Spirit and is Almighty. There is no power on earth greater than He. Also, He owns the earth and everything in it. (*Psalm 24:1*) He established a "New Covenant" of blessings for those who would be joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. (*Romans 8:14-16*) God accepts us as His beloved children in Christ. We must learn who our Heavenly Father is and how He thinks of us as His beloved. To receive His blessings, our thinking must be in agreement with His Mind toward us.

Our Father takes responsibility for three important things for us: training us, providing for us and protecting us from all harm. He gives His Angels charge over us to keep us in all our ways so that nothing hurts us. (*Psalm 91:9-12*) They encamp round about us to deliver us from all harm. (*Psalm 34:7*) Through the Holy Spirit, He has afforded us on-going access to Him. (*Ephesians 2:18*) He does not want us to be concerned or anxious about anything on earth. He directs us to cast all of our care upon Him through prayer and supplication with thanksgiving. The reason is that He cares for us and will handle whatever challenges us. *Philippians 4:6-7* declare, "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

As His children, God thinks to give us. From the moment that we are "Born again," He takes responsibility for making our lives abundant. He does not want us to be concerned about our future. Everything has already been taken care of. (St. Matthew 6:25-34) Good things that make life abundant are already existing and laid up for us and ready to be released into our lives. (Psalm 31:19) We inherit the abundant life.

The way that we think is the critical key to our receiving from our Father. When we were "Born again," we became new spiritual creatures joined to Him. He became our Source for everything in life. However, our mind did not change. It remained carnal, tied to the natural world and dependent upon the world, as well as our own abilities, not God. The carnal mind limits God from releasing blessings into our lives. As such, we must learn to shift our focus and dependence from ourselves and the world to our Heavenly Father.

We must learn to live daily by Faith in our Father. To do so requires a transformation; we have no choice. We must be transformed by renewing our mind. (Romans 12:2) It must be changed from a "carnal state" to a "Spiritual state" because the carnal mind is an enemy to God and is not subject to Him. It actively rebels or thinks against God. (Romans 8:5-8) Mind renewal comes only through daily acquisition and storage of God's Knowledge inside our hearts and applying it to life. (Colossians 3:10) Through thinking His Knowledge, we are in agreement with Him and positioned to receive from Him. God Bless.

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