

Chapter 3 "No Need for Extravagance"

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"As a boy I toted two buckets of water, one balancing the other, grace works the same way. People see our 'Bucket of Troubles' easy enough. What they don't see is the "Bucket of Grace' that balances out the 'Bucket of Troubles.' " ~ Joe Pursifull

1. Read Isaiah 40:12-17

*Do you ever feel like your "Bucket of Troubles" is getting too full?

*List the things that are in your bucket right now!

2. Read 1 Peter 5:7-11

*Write down a list of the ways God cares for you. See how they balance each other. May your "Bucket of Grace" be abounding fully with God's grace!

3. Read Deuteronomy 33:25

*Have you ever felt blinded by the circumstances you are living in? During those times it's important to go to God's Word and search for the Truth that will open your eyes to what God is doing in your life.

4. Read Acts 9:1-9 Follow Paul's conversion:

*What did Paul set out to do? Compare this to your intentions when you set out to do something that you know is not of God, but you are blinded by your ambition.

*How did God get Paul's attention? What does God do to get your attention?

*Why would God have Paul be blind for 3 days? Why do we get blinded at times?

*Look at verse 18. Is there anything preventing you from seeing God's direction for your life?

5. Read Psalm 20:7

*Are you trusting God with your family?

*Are your hands open (in surrender) or closed (shut down) when it comes to this topic with God?

6. Read Romans 8:37-39

*Is there anything or anyone you have placed as more important than God? Take time to pray and offer this to God. Let nothing separate you from His love.

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