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1 Kings 17:4 NKJV

4And it will be *that* you shall drink from the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there.”

# 1 Kings 17:9 NKJV

# 9“Arise, go to Zarephath, which *belongs* to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.”

# *God commanded the ravens and He commanded the widow. The birds obeyed, the widow obeyed, and Elijah obeyed.*

# *We are to look to God’s Word-not to the world.*

# Hebrews 1:3 NKJV

# 3who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

# Colossians 3:1-3 NKJV

# 3 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.

# 2Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

# 3For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

# *We are to live in our inheritance.*

# Colossians 1:12 NKJV

# 12giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.

# Psalm 37:18-19 NKJV

# 18The Lord knows the days of the upright, And their inheritance shall be forever. 19They shall not be ashamed in the evil time, And in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.

# *Get involved with the Gospel.*

# Matthew 24:1-14 NKJV

# 24 Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple.

# 2And Jesus said to them, “Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not *one* stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down.”

# 3Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what *will be* the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”

# 4And Jesus answered and said to them: “Take heed that no one deceives you.

# 5For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many.

# 6And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

# 7For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places.

# 8All these *are* the beginning of sorrows.

# 9“Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake.

# 10And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another.

# 11Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many.

# 12And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.

# 13But he who endures to the end shall be saved.

# 14And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

# Matthew 24:35 NKJV

# 35Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

# Philippians 4:12-19 NKJV

# 12I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

# 13I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

# 14Nevertheless you have done well that you shared in my distress.

# 15Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only.

# 16For even in Thessalonica you sent *aid* once and again for my necessities.

# 17Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account.

# 18Indeed I have all and abound. I am full, having received from Epaphroditus the things *sent* from you, a sweet-smelling aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well pleasing to God.

# 19And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.