



# NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

"We have too much when our "wants" are greater than someone else's needs."

## Meeting Man's Needs

*In Genesis 2:9 thru 22, it states that God created man and women. Recognizing that His creation would need nourishment, He provided trees and plants for food. With the need of shelter, He placed them in the Garden of Eden. Medically, He created them with perfect bodies. But, "the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him." Gen 2:18. God then had a divine personal relationship with them.*

*God's only commandment to Adam and Eve "was that of every tree of the garden thou may freely eat; but the tree of good and evil thou shall not eat of it." Gen 2:17 Adam and Eve made the wrong choice. They disobeyed God's commandment and ate from the forbidden tree thus causing a breach between them and God. "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." Rom 5:12*

*In Genesis 3:19 thru 23, it states that because man sinned against God, he was banished from the Garden of Eden, where food from plants and trees was freely available. Food and shelter would now become mankind's own responsibility. Perfect bodies soon became infected by sickness, harm and death. The relationship between man to man (as seen with Cain and Able) and man to God began to fail. It was not God who failed in His promise in supplying man's needs but it was man who failed by making the wrong choice.*


*The required needs of mankind to exist in this world are: First, nourishment (food), second is shelter, third is medical and the fourth is relationship. Because of his disobedience to God, man's needs became his (that is mankind's) responsibility. The further and further mankind drifts from God, the more difficult it becomes for man to provide for his own needs.*

*You may ask "How can I help with this difficult situation?" The first step is for you to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13 Then, learn to trust God to meet your needs.*

*Next tell the world, how your God can provide their needs: "And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." John 6:35 "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." John 14:2 The Great Physician will meet their medical needs for "I am the LORD that healeth thee" Ex15:27. "I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matt 28:20 "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." Heb 13:5 "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus". Phil 4:19 "For your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask Him." Matt 6:8*

*Then, we must put feet to our words. In the parable of the sheep and goats (Matt 25:32-46), it talks about helping those in need by giving meat to the hungry, housing a stranger with no place to go, giving to someone with no clothes, helping the sick, and visiting those in prison. "Verily I say unto you, In as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt 25:40 "The Lord is my Shepard; I shall not (be in need of) want." Psalm 23:1*

*This devotional was just found. Most of this was written by my father Lester, who went to be with the Lord 18 months later. To my knowledge this is the only one he ever wrote. Charles Stambaugh*

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