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## **God's Royal Insurance Policy**

Being a servant of God has so many benefits that it truly is a royal insurance policy. God's royal insurance policy protects you from famine, disease and war (Psalm 33:19; 91:3, 5-7; 103:3; Prov. 10:3). It will lead you out of all your troubles (Job 5:20-27; Prov. 11:8; 12:13, 21). All things in life turn out for good for those who are the policyholders (Rom. 8:28). If someone came to your door and offered such a policy, and you had faith in the company, it would be the easiest policy in the world to sell (Acts 2:40).

***'This policy gives you wisdom just for the asking, spiritual power just for the asking and answered prayer...'***

This policy gives you wisdom just for the asking, spiritual power just for the asking, and answered prayer, when in accordance with the Will of the policy (James 1:5; 1 John 3:22; John 9:31; 15:7, 16; 16:24; Matt. 21:22). It guarantees you abundance, joy, peace and love, as Abraham had (John 10:10; 17:13; Gen. 24:1; 25:8). It guarantees you obedient children who do not go astray when they are older (Prov. 22:6) when you follow the royal advice of Proverbs 29:15 and 17. It even guarantees you power to get wealth the right way—God's Way (Prov. 10:22; 13:21).

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premium by living Christ's Way of life. Jesus Christ qualified you to be a policyholder regardless of your present condition, but you must not stay in your present condition. You must die to self and deny your old way of life daily (1 Cor. 15:31; Luke 9:23). Instead, you must live Christ's new Way of life (Heb. 10:20; Matt. 21:32). This is done by practicing righteousness, good deeds and good works to please and glorify the Father (1 John 2:29; Gal. 6:9; John 10:25, 32, 37-38; 14:12; Matt. 5:16). You must do all that you do and say in Christ's name as a happy slave of Christ (Col. 3:17; Eph. 6:6; Rom. 6:18-19).

**'You must strive until God creates in you a new nature...'**

Overcome your nature by doing good, being zealous, persevering in good works and

*Ancient Hebrews wrote poetry in the form of psalms, which has inspired us to bring you a new feature Spiritual Poetry for the Soul...*

keeping Christ's deeds, which are all righteous—God's righteousness (1 Peter 3:13; Rom. 12:21; 2:7; 10:3; Luke 21:19; Rev. 2:26; Prov. 19:17). You must strive until God creates in you a new nature, establishes you, and puts your nature under your heel (Luke 13:24; Prov. 22:9; 1 Peter 5:10; Heb. 10:36; Rom. 16:20).

**'...Once you start, don't look back; just keep going straight forward into the good life...'**

Jesus Christ's Way is easy and pleasant (Matt. 11:30). Children would have no problem with it (Matt. 19:14; 18:4). But once you start, don't look back; just keep going straight forward into the good life, which is the godly life that God has been waiting for many to live (Luke 17:31; 1 Tim. 4:7; Eph. 5:1; 1 Cor. 11:1; Titus 1:1).□



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# God's Financial Plan



God wants to bless you. He wants to bless you with a better job, home, car, and all the desires of your heart that are according to His Will. The Bible is full of promises that apply to you if you obey and practice its concepts.

Matthew 6:33 says to first seek the kingdom and His righteousness, and all your wants and needs will be satisfied. Notice, the first part tells you what you must do (*keep God's Ways*) and the second part tells you what God will do (*bless you*). Proverbs 3:3-10 also explains what you should do to please God and what He will do if you do your part.

**'Give and it will be given to you—good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over (Luke 6:38).'**

You honor the Lord with your wealth when you are rich in good works (1 Tim. 6:18). Go out and do good with the money you set aside for honoring God. Give and it will be given to you—good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over (Luke 6:38). That's a pretty good return, isn't it? Because you are constantly

giving and showing kindness to others, God will cause people to bless you.

**'God says He will open the windows of heaven and pour out blessings until you have no more room to receive them...'**

Yes, God's financial plan works. Notice how God gave back to Job twice what he lost during his test (Job 42:10-12). God promises to protect your crops by telling the bugs not to harm them (Mal. 3:11). God says He will open the windows of heaven and pour out blessings until you have no more room to receive them if you give to Him by sharing a portion of your wealth (*paycheck*) with others (Mal. 3:10). Everyone will call you blessed (Mal. 3:12).

**'...If you give bountifully, God will bless you bountifully...'**

The same principle holds true for your money (2 Cor. 9:6-10). If you are a tightwad who sows sparingly, God will bless you sparingly. But if

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you give bountifully, God will bless you bountifully. You must, however, give from your heart—not grudgingly, but cheerfully. God will see that you always have an abundance with which to do good. Just do as God does for the poor by giving money, love, food, clothing, furniture and all forms of righteousness (Luke 3:10-14). The whole reason for making money is to have something to share with those in need (Eph. 4:28). God always pays you back (Eph. 6:8; Heb. 6:10; 13:16; Jer. 17:10, 13; 32:19; Psalm 75:6-7; Job 34:11; Col. 3:24; Prov. 19:17; 24:12, 29; Deut. 7:9-13; Ezek. 9:10; Rev. 22:12).

***'Beware of thinking it's okay to do evil as long as you do some good for God.'***

If you live to please God every day by pleasing Him in all your ways, He will bless you in all your ways. You must learn to do good, think proper thoughts, and do everything in Christ's name (Col. 3:17). Beware of thinking it's okay to do evil as long as you do some good for God. Beware of not paying your bills when you have the means to do so (Ezek. 33:13-16). Charge cards, bank loans, and buy-on-credit practices are often the beginning of trouble. Owe nothing to anyone, as much as possible (Rom. 13:8). If you live by these principles you will have tremendous peace in your life (1 Tim. 6:7-8, 10-11).

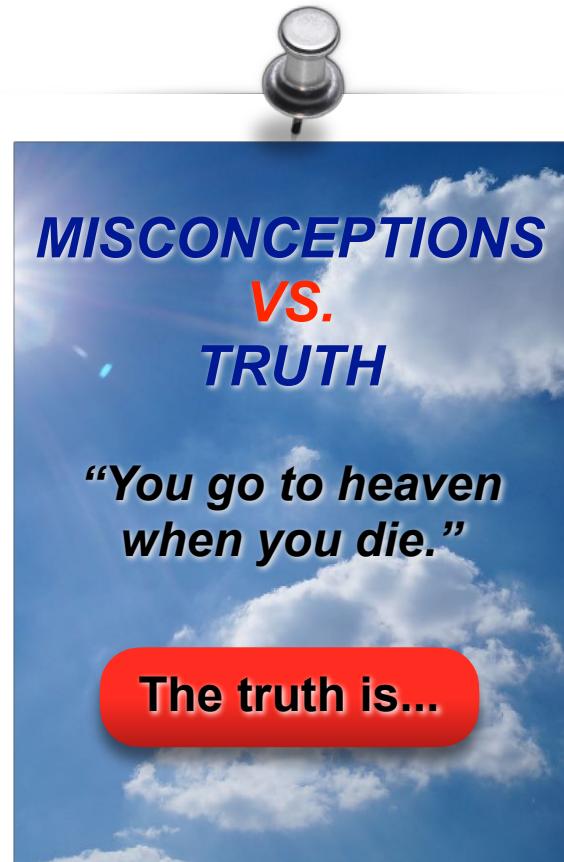
***'Buy only what you can afford and do not covet what others have.'***

Put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provisions for the flesh in regard to its lust for cars, money, big homes or possessions. Buy only what you can afford and do not covet what

others have. Then you will not be tempted to steal by failing to pay your debts (Jer. 22:15-16; Ezek. 33:17-20).

***'Do not grow weary in doing what God says.'***

Jesus Christ came to show you how to have a more abundant life (John 10:10). Do not grow weary in doing what God says (Gal. 6:9; 2 Thess. 3:13). Obey these principles, and God will bless you bountifully as you live to serve others for Him.□



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People write to us, *all the time*, to tell us **all the wonderful ways they use the various features of wholewheatonline.com** in their day-to-day life. When we share with others how people are using the website, they always say...*I never thought of that!* There are so many great ideas, we thought we would share them in hopes of inspiring you, your family and friends.

In this day and age of technology, people are so thankful to have something godly and inspirational online that they can access, any time of the day or night, that promotes their walk with God. With all of the tablets, smartphones and computers people use in their lives, they can hop on our website, or the Vimeo app on their devices, to access godly songs, Bible Study voice-overs, Love Goes on Forever Audiobook, Wheat For Thoughts, Scriptural Inspirations, Spiritual Poetry, Miracles and more, at any time. In this day and age, most people prefer watching and listening to something, so they appreciate the variety of videos we offer all about God's Ways and living the life. **Many of our users stream our podcasts, or the voice-over version of our Whole Wheat Newsletter** in their car, on the drive to and from work every day, to be spiritually pumped up!

Another user shared...*When I have trouble sleeping at night, I plug my headphones into my phone and play a sermon, voiceover Bible study or a Scriptural Inspiration video and it brings me peace and*

*calms down my mind so I can sleep.* Another user told us they were on vacation with their family and **whenever they found themselves tested, they would put on the Scriptures of Hope video** and it would put them in the right frame of mind to get back to vacation with the perfect attitude. Another user shared they use the Bible Studies, whether in written form or voice-over, as a daily part of their **child's homeschool program**, so they can have God's Word as a part of their curriculum.

**The godly music videos, Scriptural Inspirations, Wheat For Thought and Spiritual Poetry For the Soul** are all wonderful for small children too. Instead of watching cartoons, they can tune in to something that promotes godliness; learning godly songs and Scriptures in the process. With the Vimeo app, parents can set up videos offline that can be used even without an internet connection, for when in the car or traveling. **The Vimeo app is also great in the car** allowing you to play whatever music videos or other voice-over videos you want through your stereo system while you are driving. They automatically play one after the other.

**There are so many ways to be spiritually stimulated on wholewheatonline.com** and if you get even a *little* creative, and use it to the fullest, you will have endless ways to encourage the whole family and all of your friends. **What a fun way to provoke and stimulate godliness all around you...what are you waiting for? □**

## Shop 'til You Drop!

"Shop 'til you drop" is a famous saying said by many. When we "hit the mall," so to speak, we are zealous to look through the stores. The excitement of finding a good deal runs through our blood. We won't stop until we find what we need or want. We are determined, and **many times we literally "shop 'til we drop!"**



**Are we this zealous about our spiritual life?** Instead of "hitting the mall," let's hit our Bibles and shop the Scriptures. All we need and want from this life is in God's word. The key to being happy and blessed is right there in His word, and if we have an open mind, this key can be ours. Jesus says His Way is easy and light (Matt. 11:30). Wow! That's just what we needed to hear. There is no difficulty in understanding His Way if it is easy and light.

**Now, what do we do next?** We are to imitate Jesus Christ, according to 1 Corinthians 11:1 and Ephesians 5:1. How do we do this? We walk like Him and talk like Him! Jesus Christ continually walked and talked a special Way that pleased His heavenly Father (1 Thess. 4:1). He was obedient to the Father by living to please Him every day. Just as Jesus learned obedience, so must we (Heb. 5:8). Obedience is action—doing what's right and doing good towards others, especially the less fortunate (James 1:27; Luke 14:13).

When I meet a widow, my heart leaps for joy! I tell myself, "This is a golden opportunity to do God's Will." The elderly and widows are a very important part of my life. I love serving them and making them happy for the Lord.

However, this is only one phase of God's Ways and Will. **There are many kinds of people we can serve to please God:** the orphan, the needy, the poor, the crippled, the deaf, the blind, the stranger and we must not

forget our families. By our love and service, God may call one of these precious ones to His beautiful Way of life.

**Let's shop the Scriptures and find out what kind of spiritual clothing God wants us to wear daily.** We are to clothe ourselves with Christ by serving others continually (Job 29:14-16). Job was eyes to the blind, feet to the lame and a father to the needy. He clothed himself with righteousness by doing good continually. It's time we do what's right and clothe ourselves with righteousness. Let's be sure to walk the way Jesus walked and talk the way Jesus talked. It's time to be an example of kindness and goodness always, as Jesus Christ was, and prove to the Lord that we want to be His friends, rather than friends of this world (James 2:23).

**Let's hit our Bibles with all the zeal that we hit the mall with,** and let God teach us so He can answer our prayers for more wisdom, knowledge and understanding. We know it pleases the Lord when we study to show ourselves approved, so **let's shop the Scriptures daily and please Him** (Acts 17:11; 1 Tim. 2:15)!

*Your Sister in Christ,*

*Karren*

# Letter From the Editor

Dear Whole Wheat Readers,

I took out a policy over 30 years ago and it was the best insurance I could have ever invested in. I try to talk about it to whoever will listen. I always have business cards on hand for this policy, and share them whenever I can. It covers all areas of my life. It even covers me after I die! It's backed by the largest investor on the earth (Ps. 118:6). It's called, *God's Royal Insurance Policy*. You can read all about it, being it's the first article in this issue! After you read it, it's impossible not to get excited!

Many years ago, I took a big risk in my life. I sold my successful business, gave up my home, and the majority of my belongings, to move across the country to a place that was not home to me. I did this after we tragically lost our founder, so I could help *Whole Wheat*. Things did not go as I had planned. I found it hard to find a job that would support me, and invested in a home that ended up sinking me financially. I did the best I could, but struggled like no other time in my life. I was so severely tested and most days felt completely alone, struggling to make ends meet. This went on for several years. It was an incredibly humbling time in my life that I reflect on frequently. It has given me compassion for others who suffer in the same way, and it challenged my relationship with God. I had made this great journey, *after all*, to be of service to Him. I just couldn't understand. After many years had passed, and all the testing I had gone through, I had a deep desire to move back to where I had come from and have the opportunity to start over. I never knew if the day would come. Somedays it was like a dream I held on to for hope. And then one day it came to pass. Not

only did God fulfill the desire of my heart, and return me to where I felt I needed to be, but he blessed me with a great job, that was exactly what I desired and something I had a talent for. God restored me, in almost every way, over the years as I remained faithful to Him.

Initially one would think this to be the greatest disaster, and there were times I thought the same. However, in looking back I realize it was a time in my life when the Lord was teaching me so much. He built in me a tremendous amount of character, strength, trust and faith in Him during that time in my life.

The Scripture tells us not to be surprised at the fiery ordeal that comes about for our testing, but to trust, through all things, that God has a great plan for us (1 Pet. 4:12; Jer. 29:11). As policyholders to this Way of life, He has a much bigger and broader vision for our life as He creates *His* nature in us, as we get rid of ours. To learn about His godly characteristics so that we can be more like Him. The beauty of all this is that He redeems us, rescues us and restores us, as He promises in His word. All things truly work for good to those who love Him (Rom. 8:28). This is what God's Royal Insurance Policy is all about. Even though that time in my life was very difficult, I am so glad I went through it to be a better man of God today. It has truly built so much in me. I continue to reap the benefits of God's great policies every day and you can too, as you live this Way of life and trust in the Lord.

In His Love,

Scott

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God wants you to put your assurance in Him and let Him be your insurance. Your doctor wants you to put your confidence in him and let him be your insurance against death. Your minister wants you to trust him, and what he teaches you, so he can be your assurance that you will someday go to heaven. Your lawyer wants you to put your assurance in him, that he will protect you and give you insurance from others. Your insurance man wants you to put your trust and confidence in his company and he will protect you from this or that tragedy or mishap, for a price.

Do you think Jesus Christ, our example, had insurance? They had doctors, lawyers, barbers, judges, courts and jails, so they probably had some forms of insurance.

We cannot escape insurance today, for it is all around us. Many families, after giving their income

to insurance companies are insurance poor. There are some forms of insurance that are a necessity, but use wisdom and leave some room for God. After all, He wants you to put your faith, trust and assurance in Him and He promises to insure you against famine, war, death, sickness and loss (Ps. 37:3; Job 5:20; Ex. 23:25). He also promises you a life of great blessings when your life becomes a total blessing to others, and you become a new creature in Christ and have Christ's nature formed in you (2 Cor. 5:17).

So use wisdom and have balance in all things (James 1:5). Do not put your confidence in man but rather in God (Phil 3:3; Ps. 78:7). Be sure to put your money where it will do the *most* good; in helping others for the glory of God, that you may be blessed with a long life and all good things (Prov. 3:9-10; Ps. 91:16).□



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