

PART THREE

God is For You!

SOLUTIONS, ANSWERS, HOPE

("There is an App for that...")

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What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also **freely give us all things?**

Develop a Solution Mindset

Isaiah 59:19

*So shall they fear. The name of the Lord from the west, And His glory from the rising of the sun;
When the enemy comes in like a flood, The Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him.*

Develop a Solution Mindset

Consider this Scripture another way:

Isaiah 59:19

*When the enemy comes in, **like a flood the Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him.***

Quotes From *The Obstacle is the Way* by Ryan Holiday

“Just because other people say that something is hopeless or crazy or broken to pieces doesn’t mean it is. We decide what story to tell ourselves.”

“You can take the trouble you’re dealing with and use it as an opportunity to focus on the present moment.”

Romans 8:36

As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."

37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

Jesus often spoke in parables. I am going to use parables today.

Parables were a way to convey principles in an allegoric story that people could understand and relate to.

A parable is a teaching method using the familiar to illustrate unfamiliar concepts.



Nice

There is an App For That!



The term **app** is short for **application**.

It is defined as:

- A computer program that is designed for a particular purpose
- A program that you can download onto a mobile phone and use anytime

On our trip, we have an app for almost everything:

- An app for managing the flight and boarding
- An app for trip planning in the city
- An app for bus and train tickets
- An app for renting bicycles
- An app for navigation
- An app for weather
- An app for restaurant menus
- An app for translating languages
- An app for Uber
- An app for clearing customs (which was a first)

Is there an app for managing your life?
Is there an app for drawing close to God?
Is there an app for dealing with problems?

The Answer is “Yes!”

But it is not on your phone. It is in your heart and in your mind!

This “app” is the **application of wisdom and knowledge from the Lord**, and from others.

An application only works as well
as you work it.

Let's look at some “apps” or applications of wisdom and knowledge

The Apostle Paul's mission landed him in "good trouble" (In the words of John Lewis)

He was persecuted and was jailed on occasions, but **he found solutions, answers, and hope** in his situations:

Philippians 1:12-14

*I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that my situation has actually **turned out to advance the gospel**: The whole imperial guard and everyone else knows that **I am in prison for the sake of Christ**, and most of the brothers and sisters, having confidence in the Lord **because of my imprisonment, now more than ever dare to speak the word fearlessly.***

Jesus faced a challenge that defined His purpose and equipped Him to become our Savior.

THE ULTIMATE APPLICATION!

Mark 1:9

*It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. 11 Then a voice came from heaven, “**You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.**” 12 Immediately the Spirit drove Him into the wilderness 13 And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him.*

Sometimes we live among Satan's temptations,
wild animals and angels.

You need an app for that!

Matthew's Gospel provides detail on the same story.

We see that Jesus found **solutions, answers, and hope.**

Especially in the **application** of the word of God.

Matthew 4:1

*Then Jesus was **led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.** 2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 The tempter came to him and said, “If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.”*

*4 Jesus answered, “**It is written:** ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”
(Deuteronomy 8:3)*

Matthew 4:5

Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6 “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down. For it is written: ‘He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’”

*7 Jesus answered him, “**It is also written**: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” (Deuteronomy 6:16)*

Matthew 4:8

*Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. 9 "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." 10 Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! **For it is written:** 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'" (Deuteronomy 6:13) 11 **Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.***

**Jesus came to destroy works of the devil.
You should do the same!**

1 John 3:8 (NIV)

*The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. **The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work***

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