Living Like I Have Nothing To Lose

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Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3 (NIV)

Being poor in spirit means: *I depend on God instead of myself.*

1. I depend on God's wisdom, not mine.

There is a way that may seem right to a man. But in the end it leads to death. **Proverbs 14:12 (NIRV)**

Trust the LORD with all your heart, and don't depend on your own understanding. ⁶ Remember the LORD in all you do, and he will give you success. ⁷ Don't depend on your own wisdom. Respect the LORD and refuse to do wrong.

Proverbs 3:5-7 (NCV)

... if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding,⁴ and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure,⁵ then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God.

Proverbs 2:4-5 (NIV)

I depend on God's wisdom by <u>praying</u>, <u>reading</u>, and <u>applying</u>.

2. I depend on God's strength, not mine.

If you falter in a time of trouble, how small is your strength!

Proverbs 24:10 (NIV)

You bless all who depend on you for their strength...

Psalm 84:5 (CEV)

Even young people get tired, then stumble and fall ³¹ But those who trust the LORD will find new strength. They will be strong like eagles soaring upward on wings; they will walk and run without getting tired.

Isaiah 40:31 (CEV)

My health may fail, and my spirit may grow weak, but God remains the strength of my heart; he is mine forever. **Psalm 73:26 (NLT)**

3. I depend on God's timing, not mine.

My soul is in deep anguish. How long, Lord, how long?

Psalm 6:3 (NIVUK)

My times are in your hands...

Psalm 31:15 (NIV)

We can make our plans, but the LORD determines our steps.

Proverbs 16:9 (NLT)

God makes everything happen at the right time.

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (CEV)

4. I depend on God's justice, not mine.

Happy are all who go to him for protection. Psalm 2:12 (GNT)

When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

1 Peter 2:23 (NIV)

I depend on God alone; I put my hope in him.⁶ He alone protects and saves me; he is my defender, and I shall never be defeated.⁷ My salvation and honor depend on God; he is my strong protector; he is my shelter.

Psalm 62:5-7 (CEV)

5. I depend on God's wealth, not mine.

• Insecurity is <u>depending on something that can be taken</u> <u>from me</u>.

If you start thinking to yourselves, "I did all this. And all by myself. I'm rich. It's all mine!"—well, think again. Remember that God, your God, gave you the strength to produce all this wealth...

Deuteronomy 8:18 (MSG)

And with all his abundant wealth through Christ Jesus, my God will supply all your needs. Philippians 4:19 (GNT)

It is a great blessing for people to have the God of Jacob to help them. They depend on the LORD their God. Psalm 146:5 (ERV)