

God's Intimate Care for You



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During times of calamity, we might wonder, "Where is the Lord's eye focused in all this?" We can be sure that God is not focused on the wild plans of deranged leaders, no matter how powerful they are. "He brings the princes to nothing; He makes the judges of the earth useless ... When He will also blow on them, and they will wither, and the whirlwind will take them away like stubble" (Isaiah 40:23-24).

Isaiah tells us, "No sooner are these 'seeds' planted and take root in the ground than God blows on them, and they wither. The wicked rulers of the earth are caught up in his whirlwind and swept away as chaff. He reduces them to nothing." To prove this to us, Jesus said, "Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (Matthew 10:28).

Even in the midst of great world turmoil, God's primary focus isn't on the tyrants; his focus is on every circumstance, every detail, in his children's lives. Christ says in the very next verse, "Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will" (10:29).

In Christ's day, sparrows were the meat of the poor and sold two for a penny. On the streets, bird catchers could be seen carrying baskets full of snared sparrows. Yet, Jesus said, "Not one of these small creatures falls to the ground without your Father knowing it." According to Bible commentator William Barclay, Jesus' word "fall" in the above verse signifies more than the bird's death. The Aramaic meaning is "to light upon the ground." In other words, "fall" here indicates every little wounded hop a tiny bird makes.

Christ is telling us, in essence, "Your Father's eye is on the sparrow, not just when it dies but even when it lights upon the ground. God sees its every little struggle, and he is concerned over every detail of its life."

Jesus then says, "Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows" (10:31). Simply put, the one who made and counted all the stars, who keeps the galaxies in their orbits, has his eye fixed on you. So find rest and assurance in him!

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