

HOW TO GET YOUR DINNER

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My wife to a yard sale recently, in which items from a deceased friend's estate were being offered for sale, she purchased a little book of poems for fifty cents, brought it to me and said, "This is how much I love you." Truth of the matter is, it's a great little book, for it contains some of the most inspiring poems that I've ever read. One poem gave me an idea for today's article: "How To Get Your Dinner."

The poem is written by an anonymous writer and is entitled "Little Colt."

"Little colt, you can't help wobbling
on legs as long as those.
But you couldn't have them different-
Not even if you chose,

You have to have such lots of legs;
I'm glad you haven't more.
Just two is all I need. It must be hard to manage four.

I never saw legs any longer
Nor long ones any thinner.
But then you have to have long legs
So you can reach your dinner."

An amazing thing about God's creation is that He equipped every living thing with all that is necessary to survive. What is true of the little colt is also true of human beings, so how are we to get our dinner? Two ways stand out.

Pray for it. "Give us this day our daily bread" (Matthew 6:11). The physical man must have food to live. He is urged by Jesus to pray for his dinner. Our creator has taught us that His people will not go without their dinner. "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread" (Psalm 37:25). But we are to pray for it. God supplies our needs day by day. The Israelites gathered manna for the day, they gathered nothing for the morrow. The prayer Jesus tells us to offer gathers manna everyday, for it is to be a daily prayer for our daily dinner.

The second way to get our dinner is to work for it. It is not enough that God put life in the seed and fertility in the soil. We have to plant the seed and cultivate the plants. From the very dawn of creation; man was taught to work for his dinner. God placed Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and told them to dress and keep it. I hate handouts to lazy able-bodied people. God intended for man to work and enjoy the good of his labor (Ecclesiastes 3:13). Government sponsored handouts has resulted in this nation becoming one of lazy weaklings. Here is the New Testament on this matter: "Forever when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat" (2 Thessalonians 3:10). If our society practiced that above verse instead of giving to the lazy no-good parasites, then many would go to work. Perhaps some would starve instead of going to work.

So there are two ways for us to get our dinner: Pray for it. Work for it.

"SOCIAL SECURITY CHECKS TO SHRINK"

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Dear Reader, I told you so. The people who oversee social security tells us that there won't be a cost-of-living adjustment for at least two years. This is what happens when an out-of-control

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liberal administration comes to power. Apparently Clunker Cars are more important than the elderly.