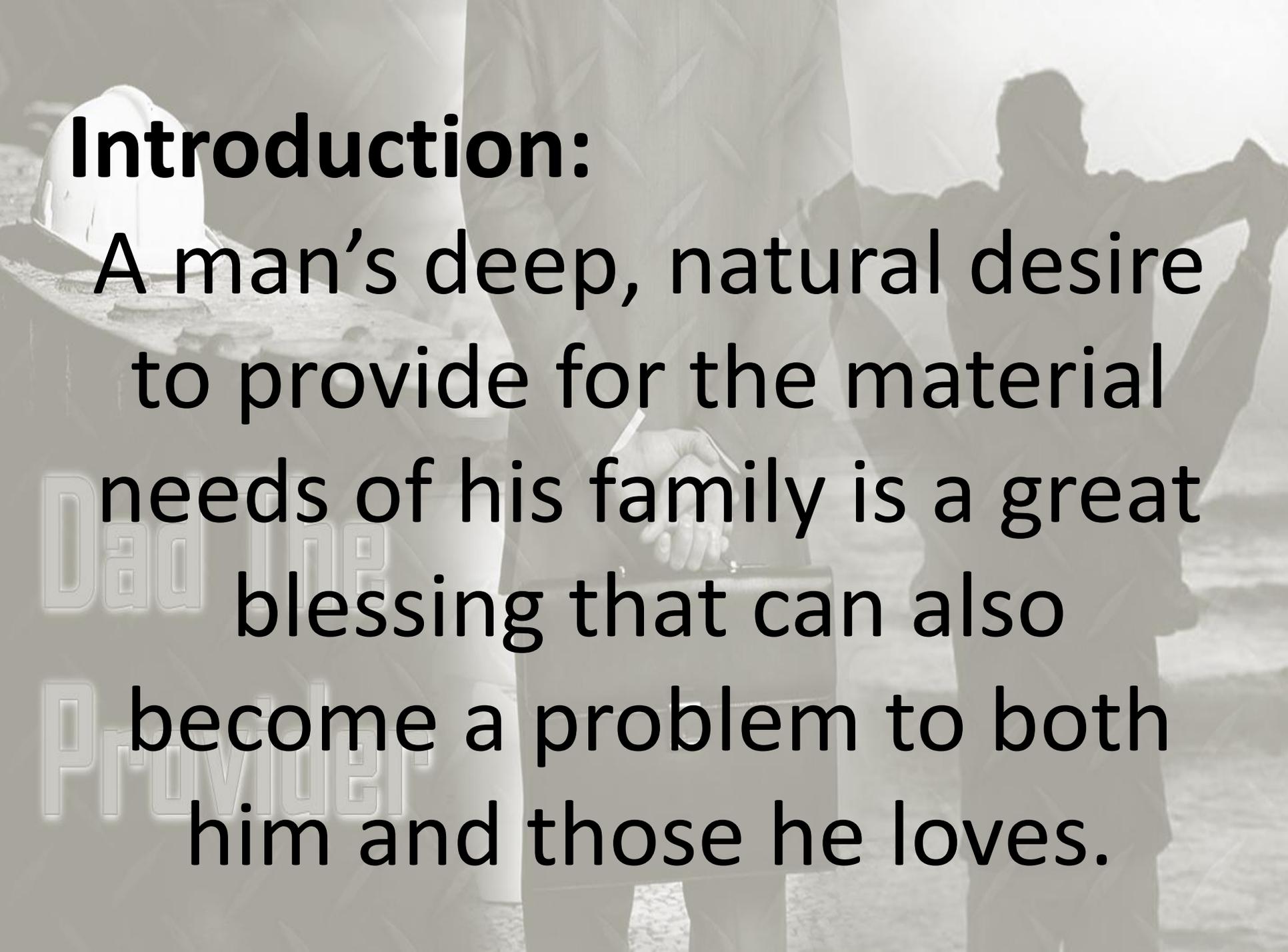


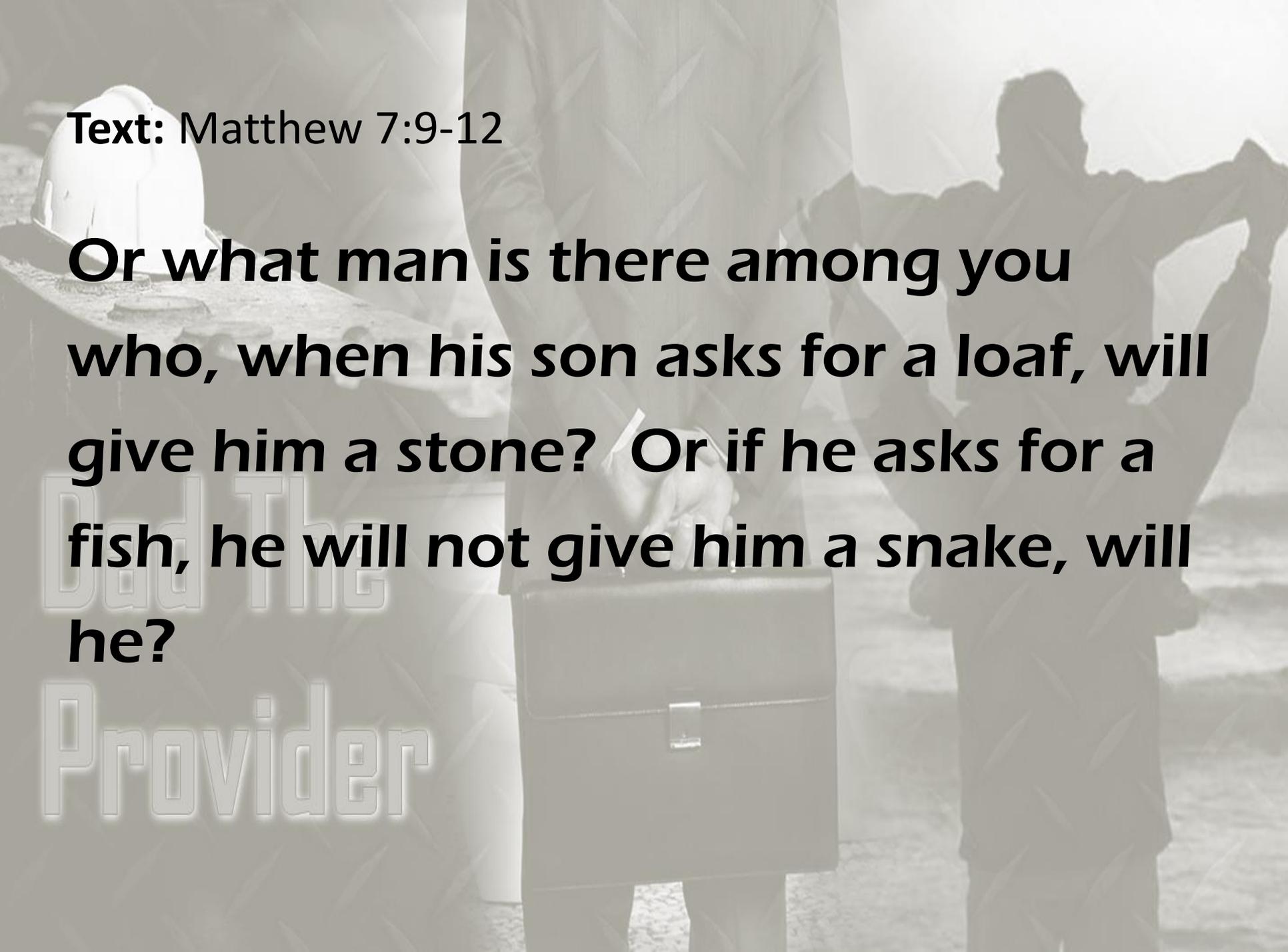


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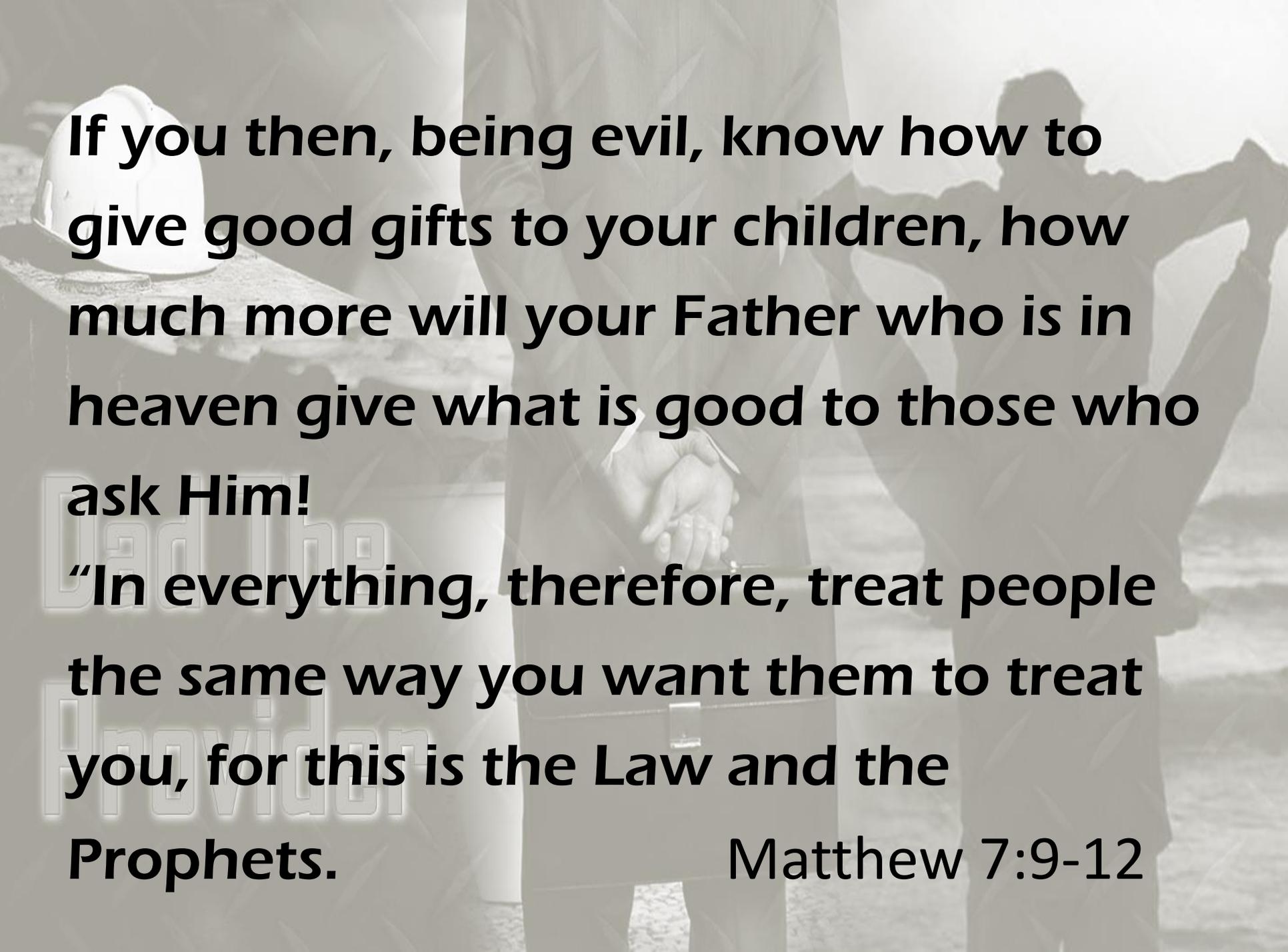
A man's deep, natural desire to provide for the material needs of his family is a great blessing that can also become a problem to both him and those he loves.



Text: Matthew 7:9-12

Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he?

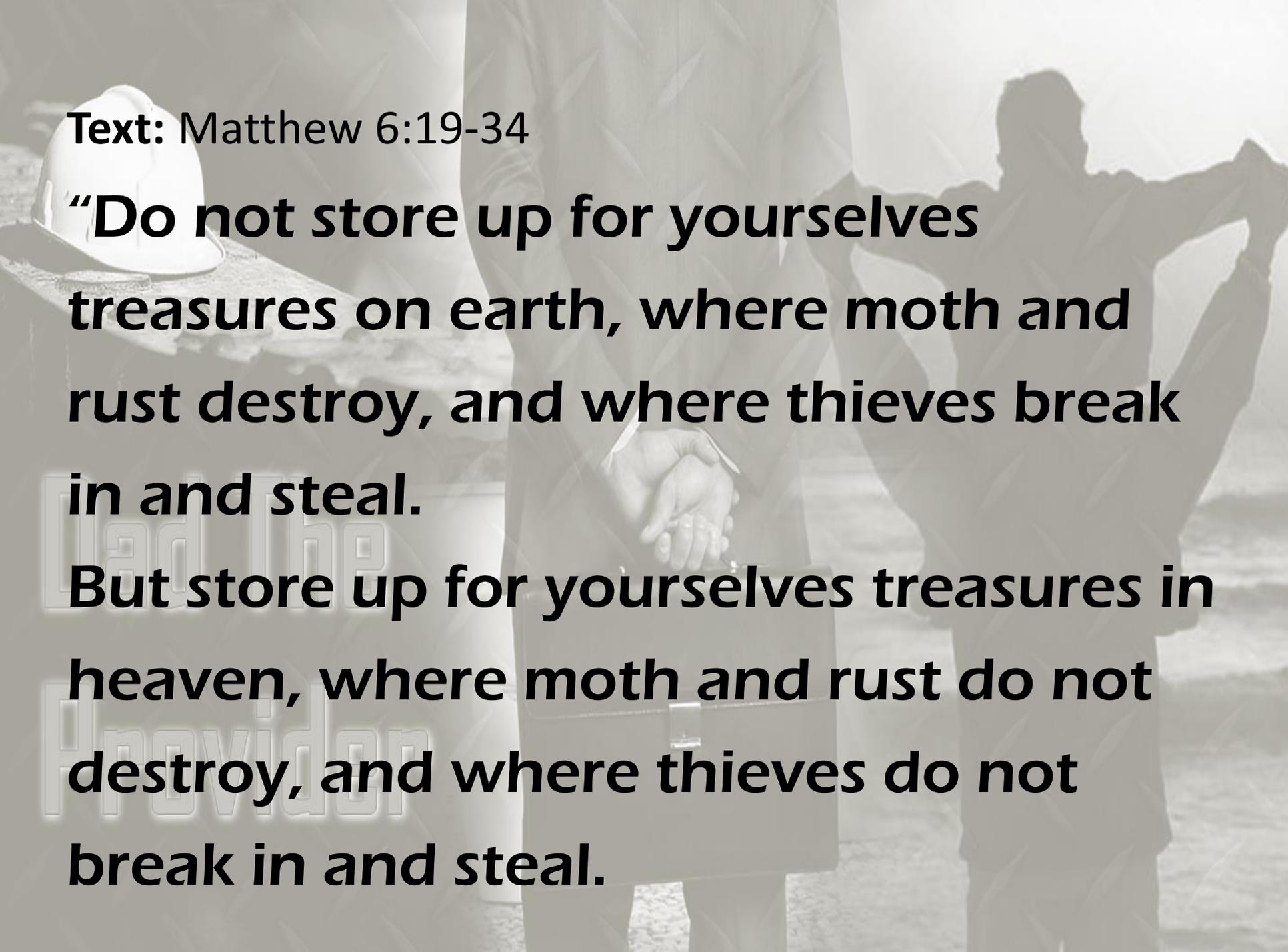
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If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!

“In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

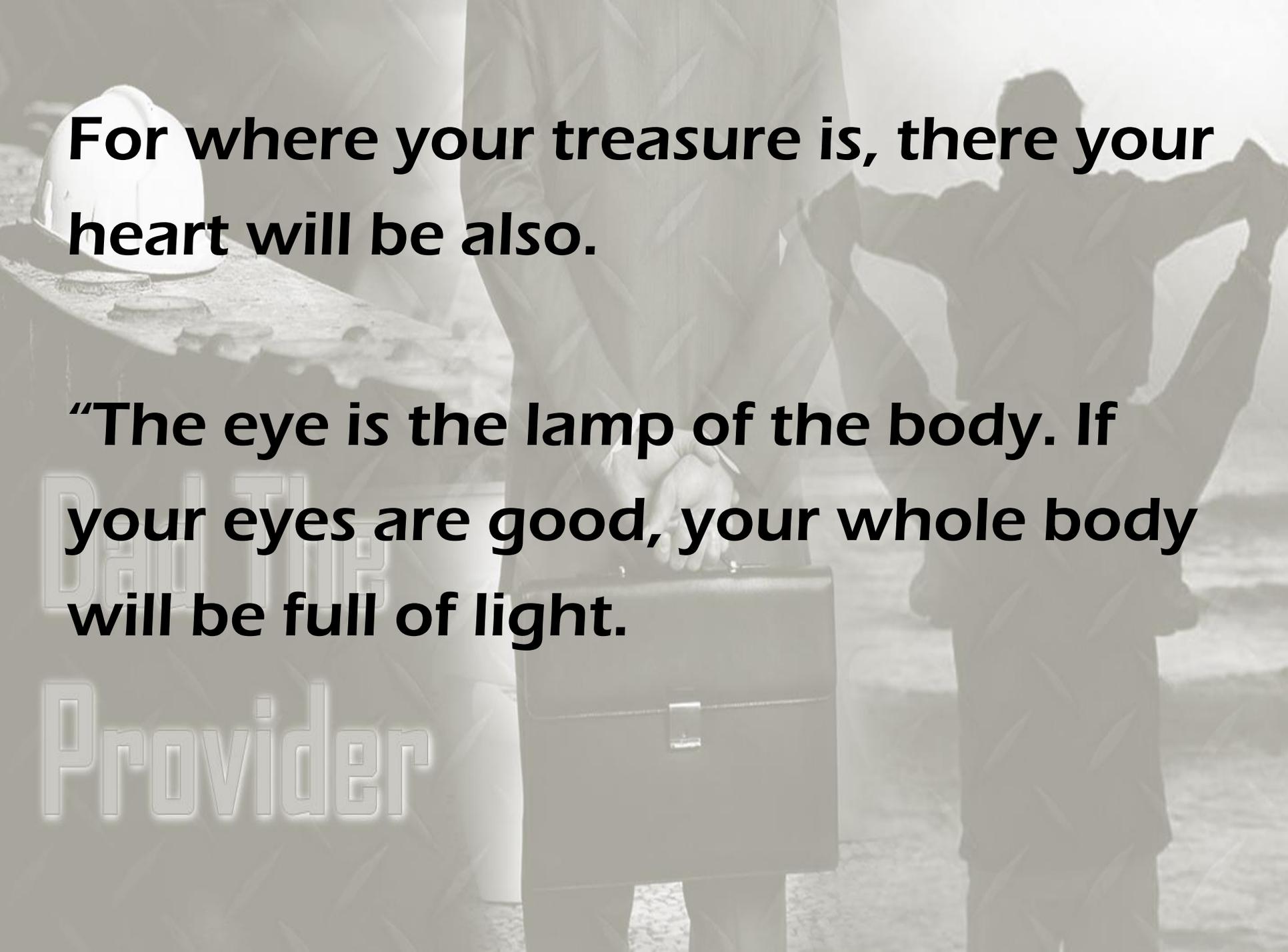
Matthew 7:9-12



Text: Matthew 6:19-34

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.

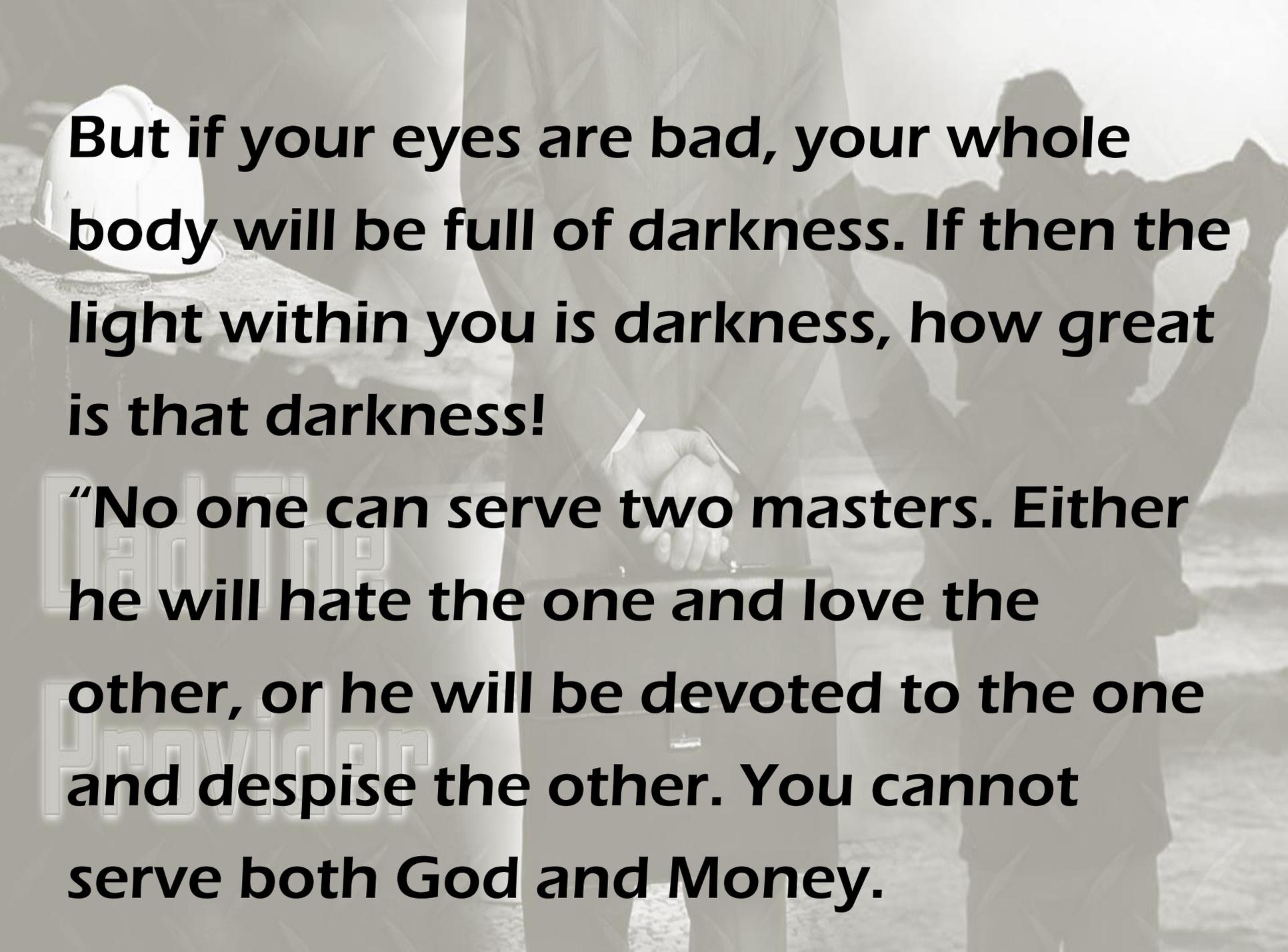
But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.



For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

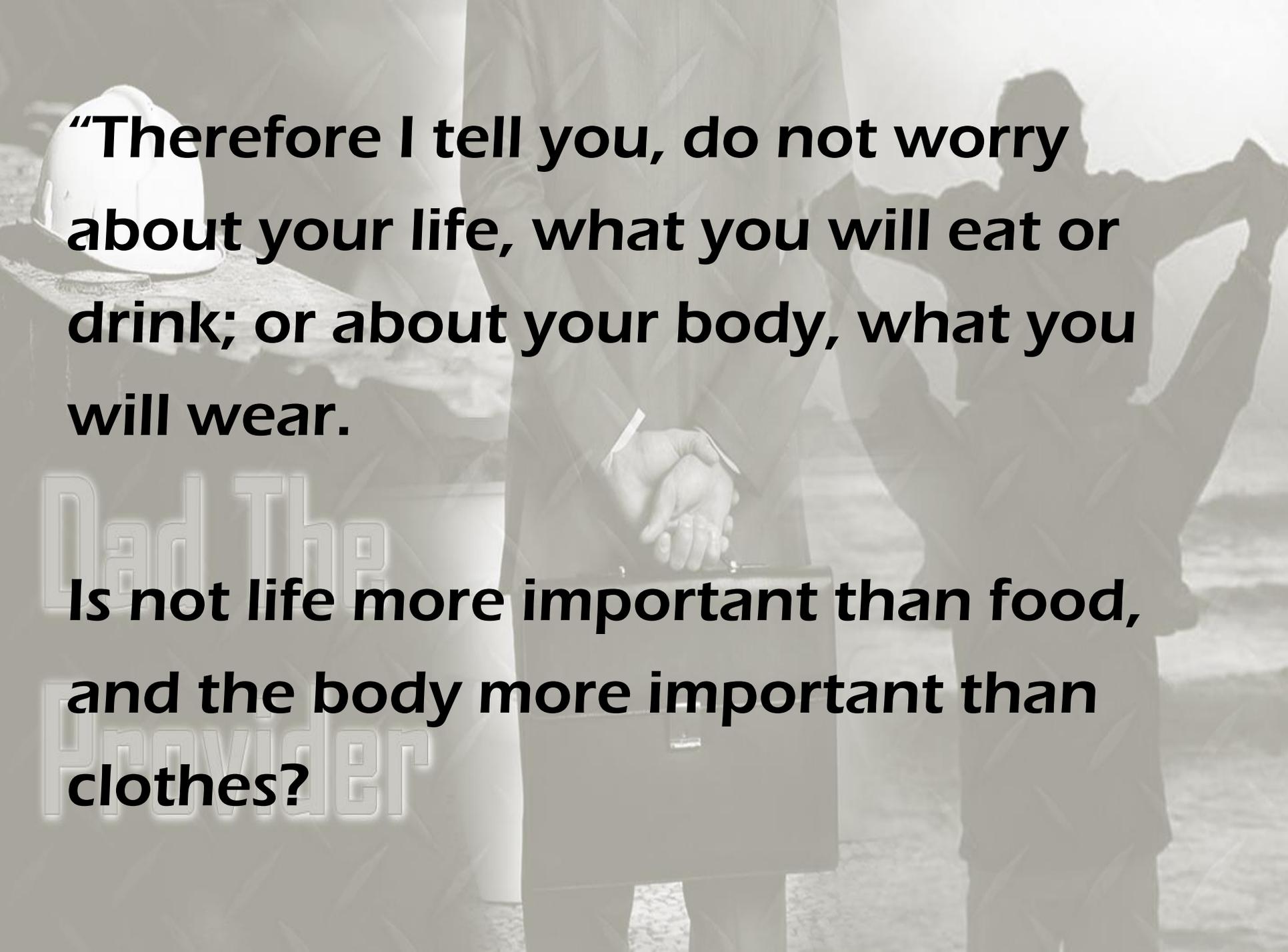
“The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are good, your whole body will be full of light.

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But if your eyes are bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

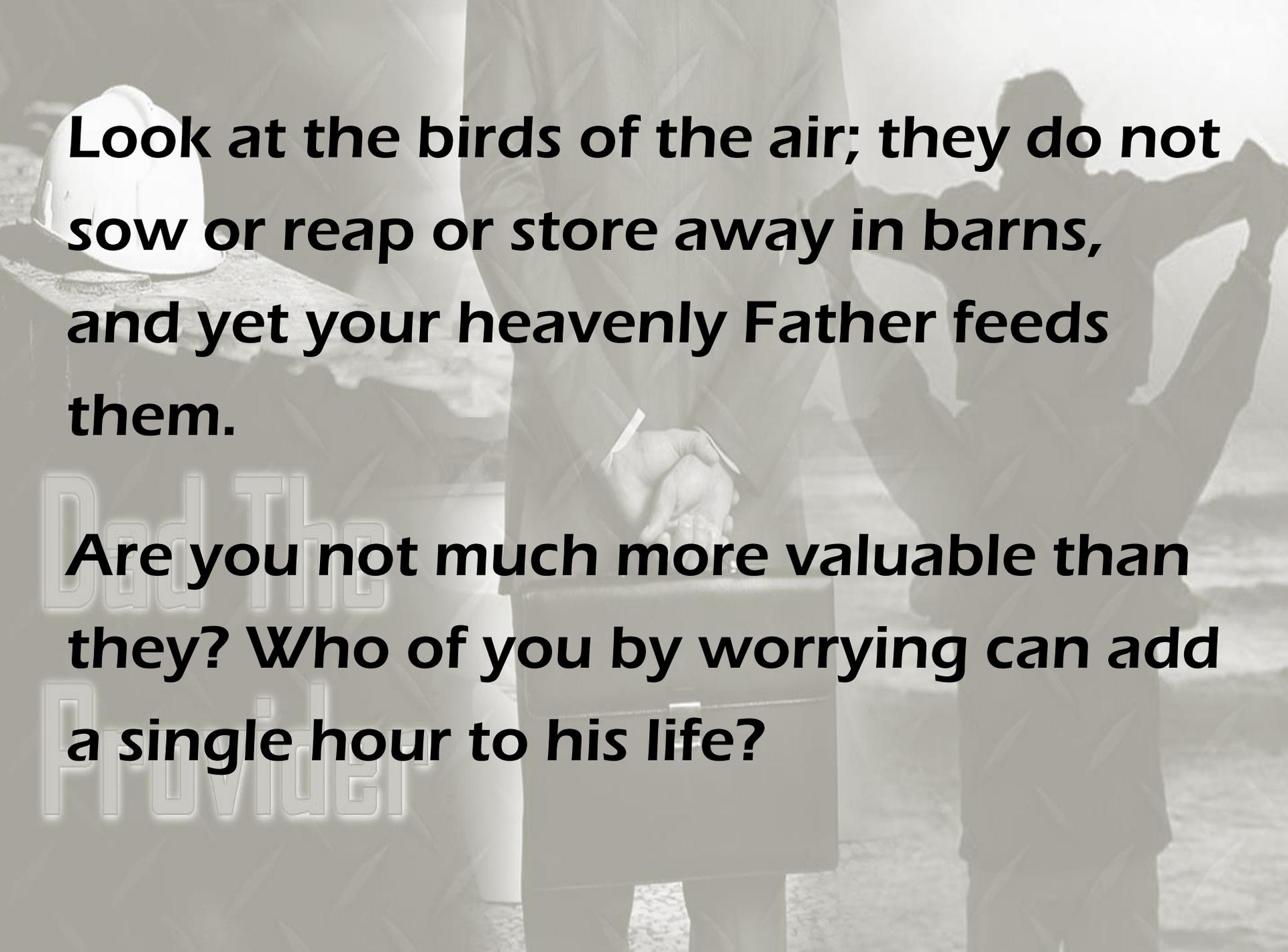
“No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.



“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear.

Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes?

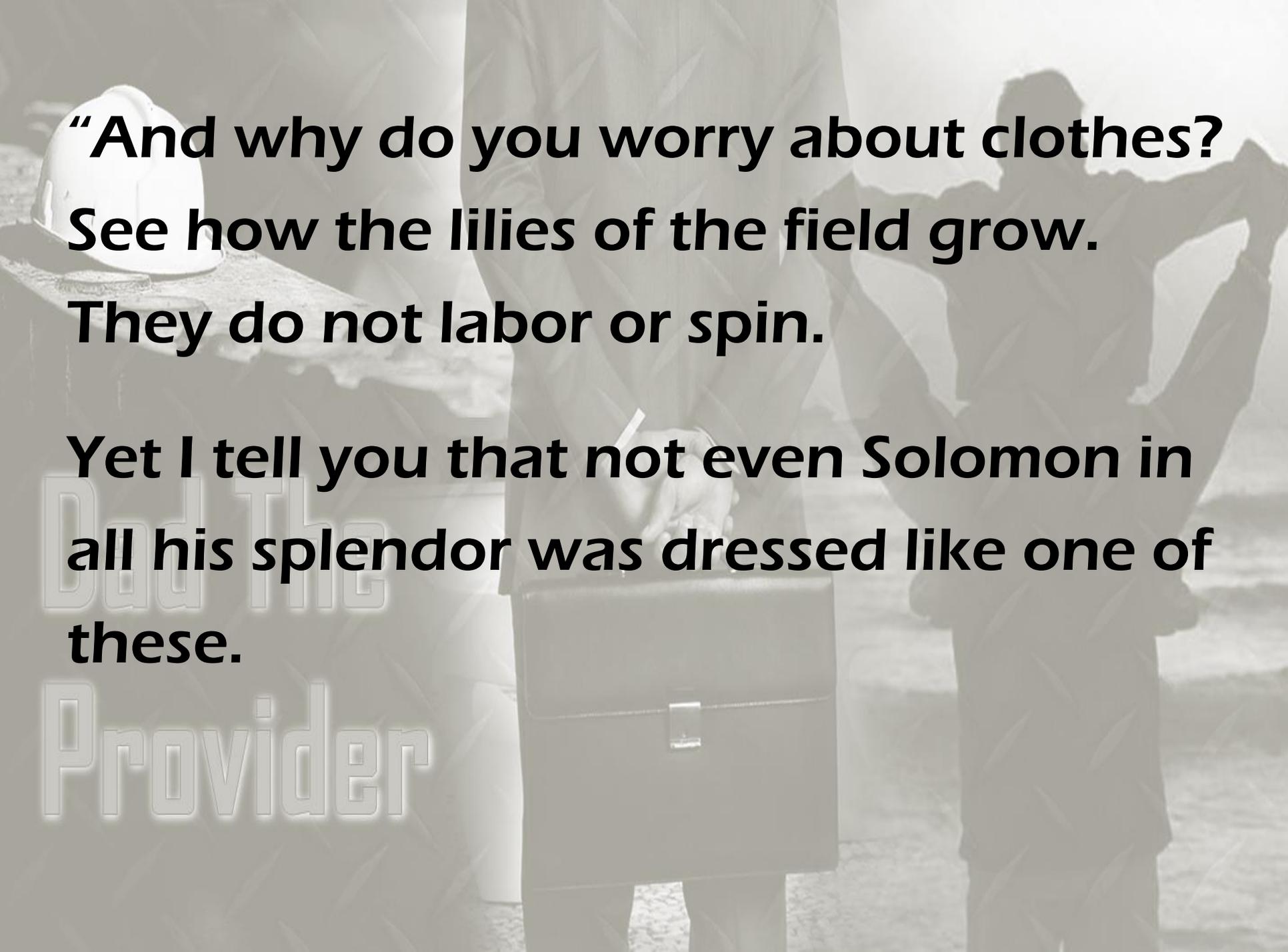
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Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them.

Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?

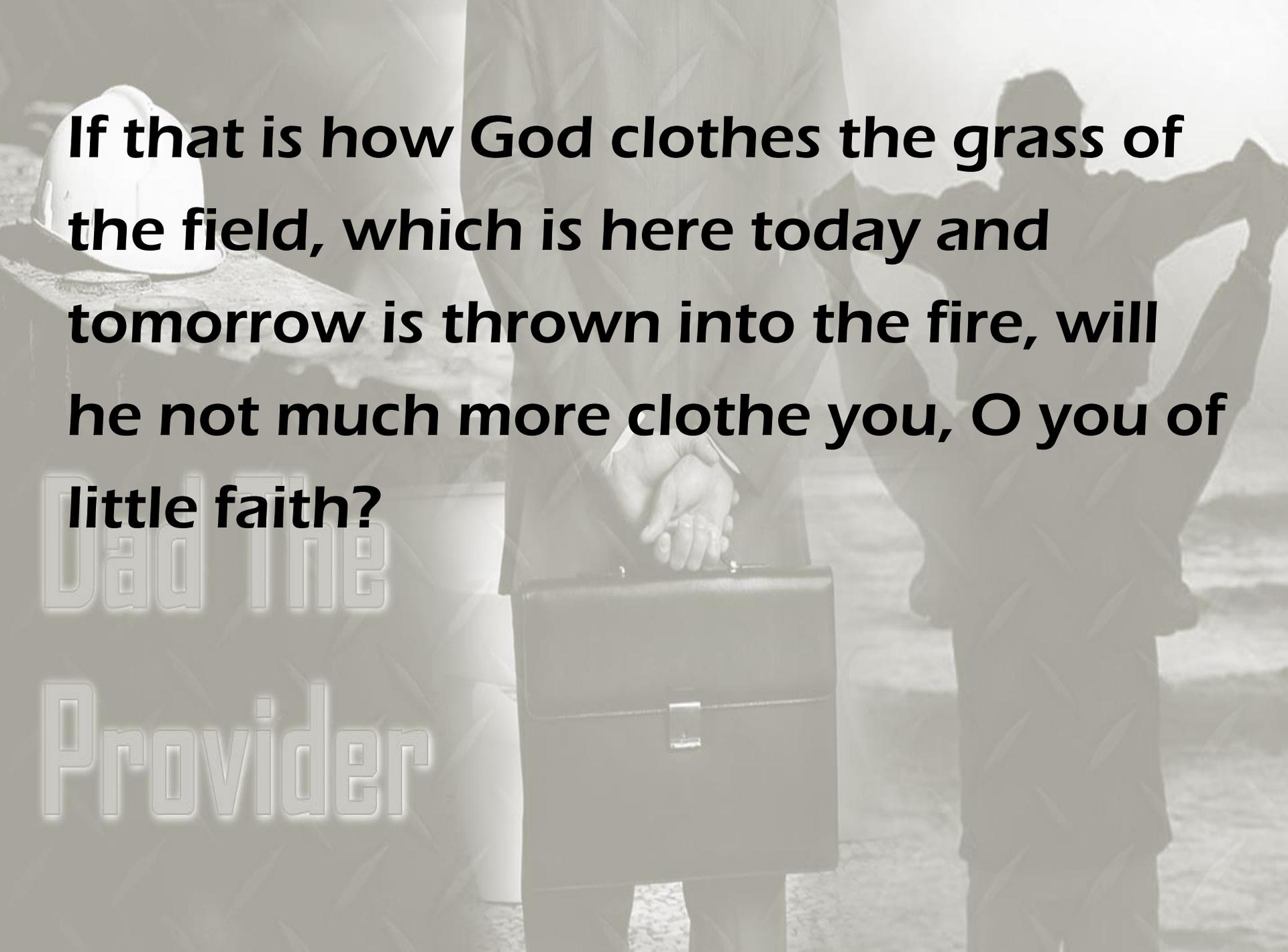
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**“And why do you worry about clothes?
See how the lilies of the field grow.
They do not labor or spin.**

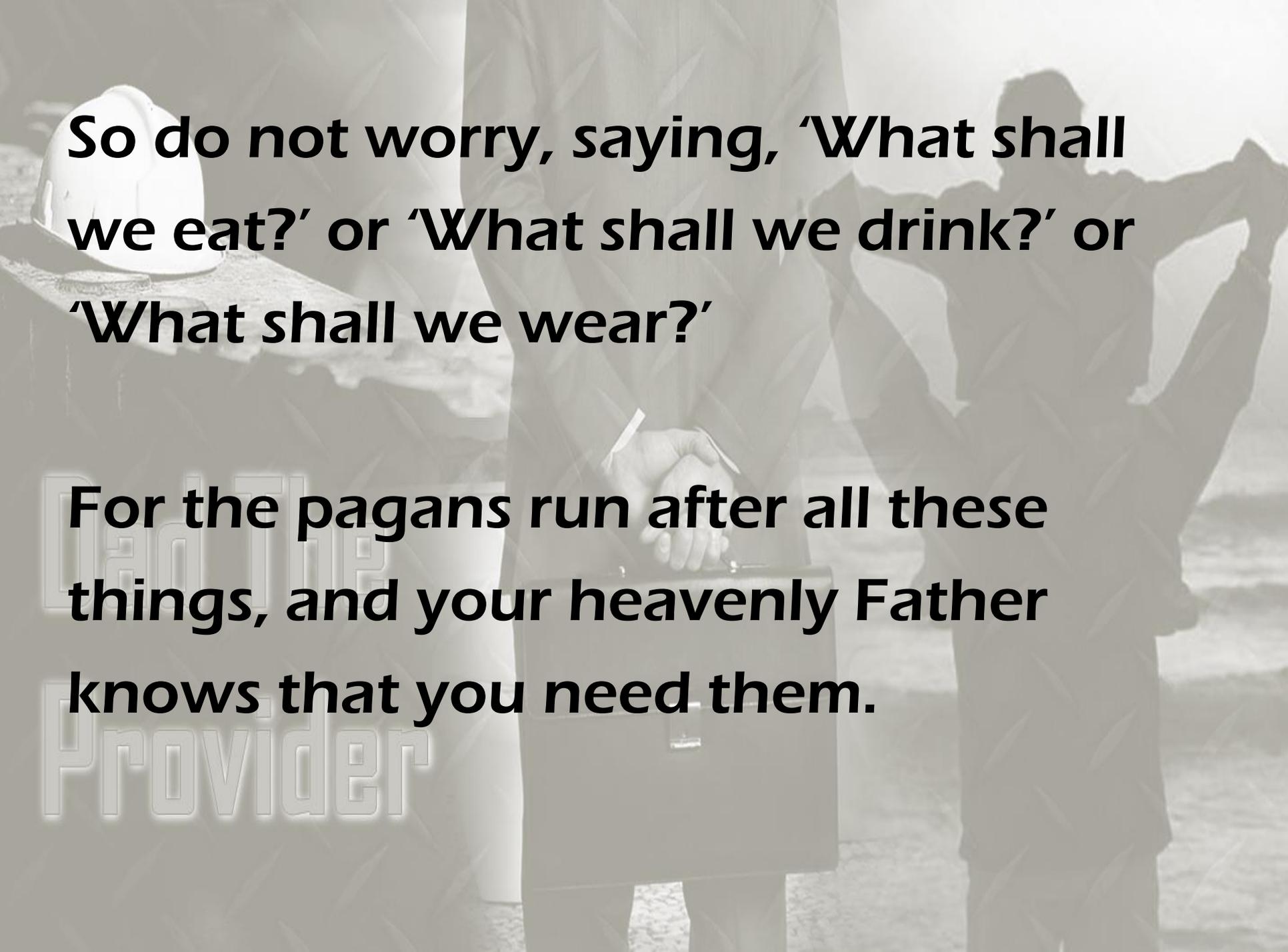
**Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in
all his splendor was dressed like one of
these.**

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If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

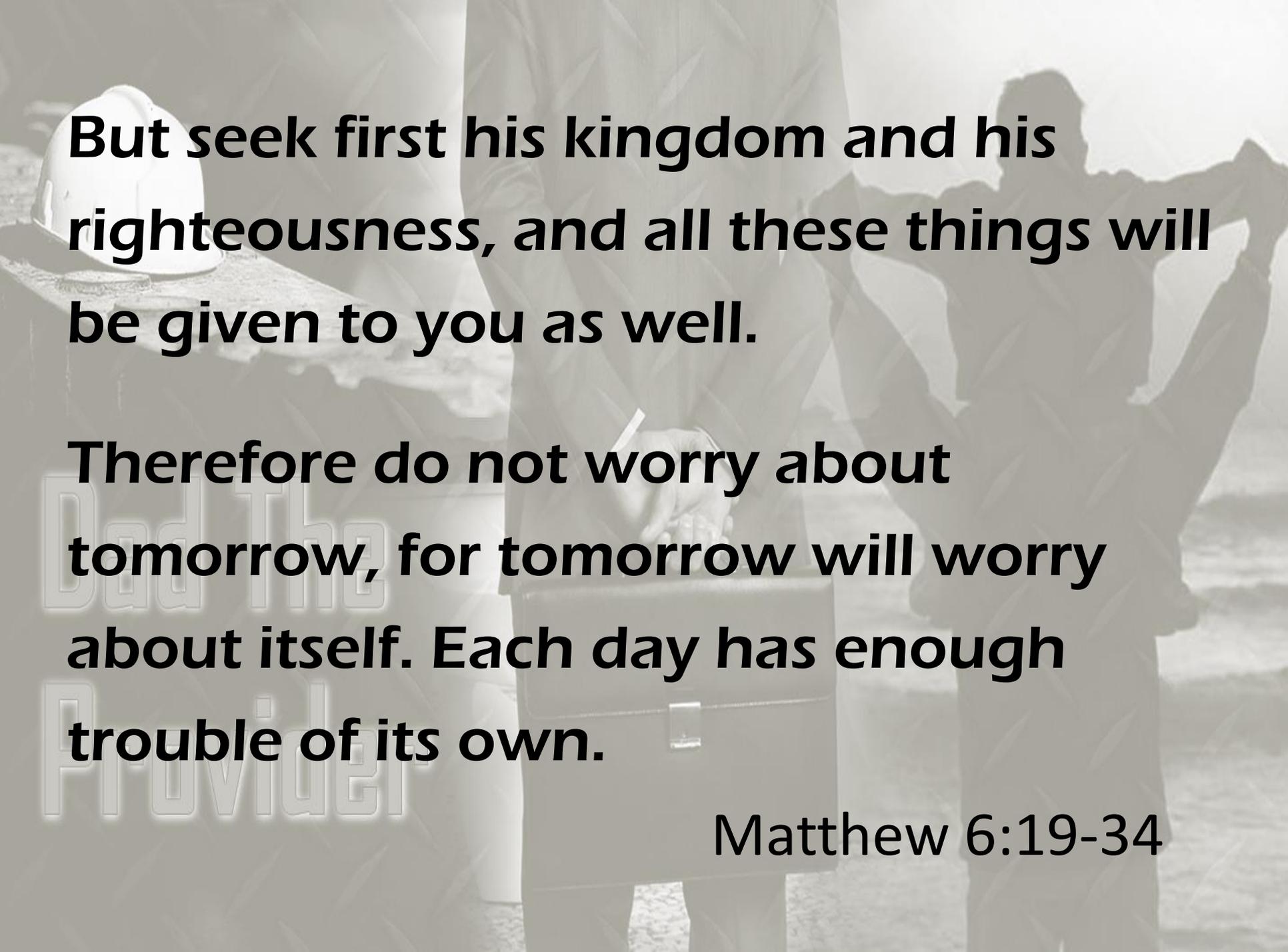
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So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.

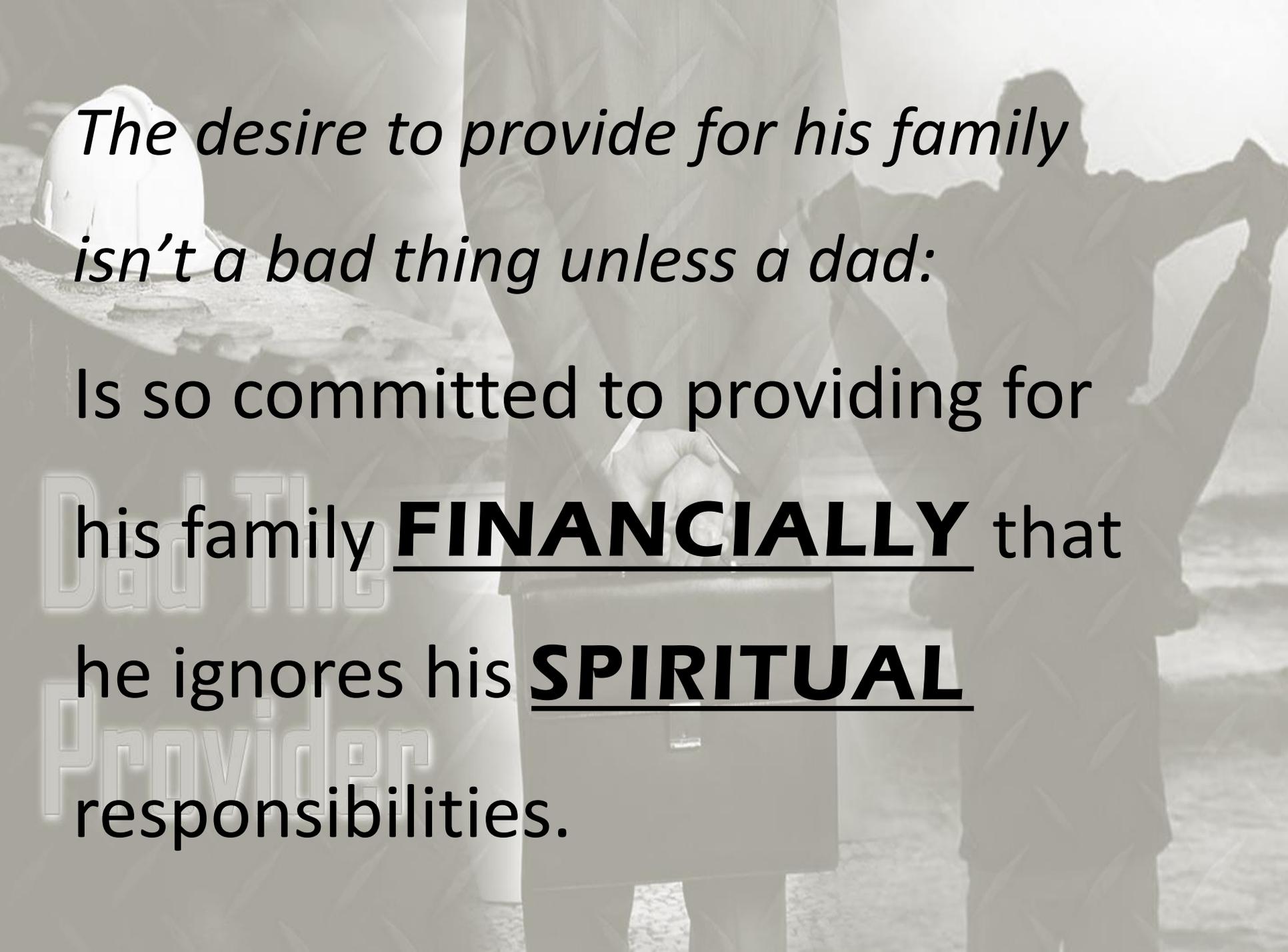
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But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Matthew 6:19-34



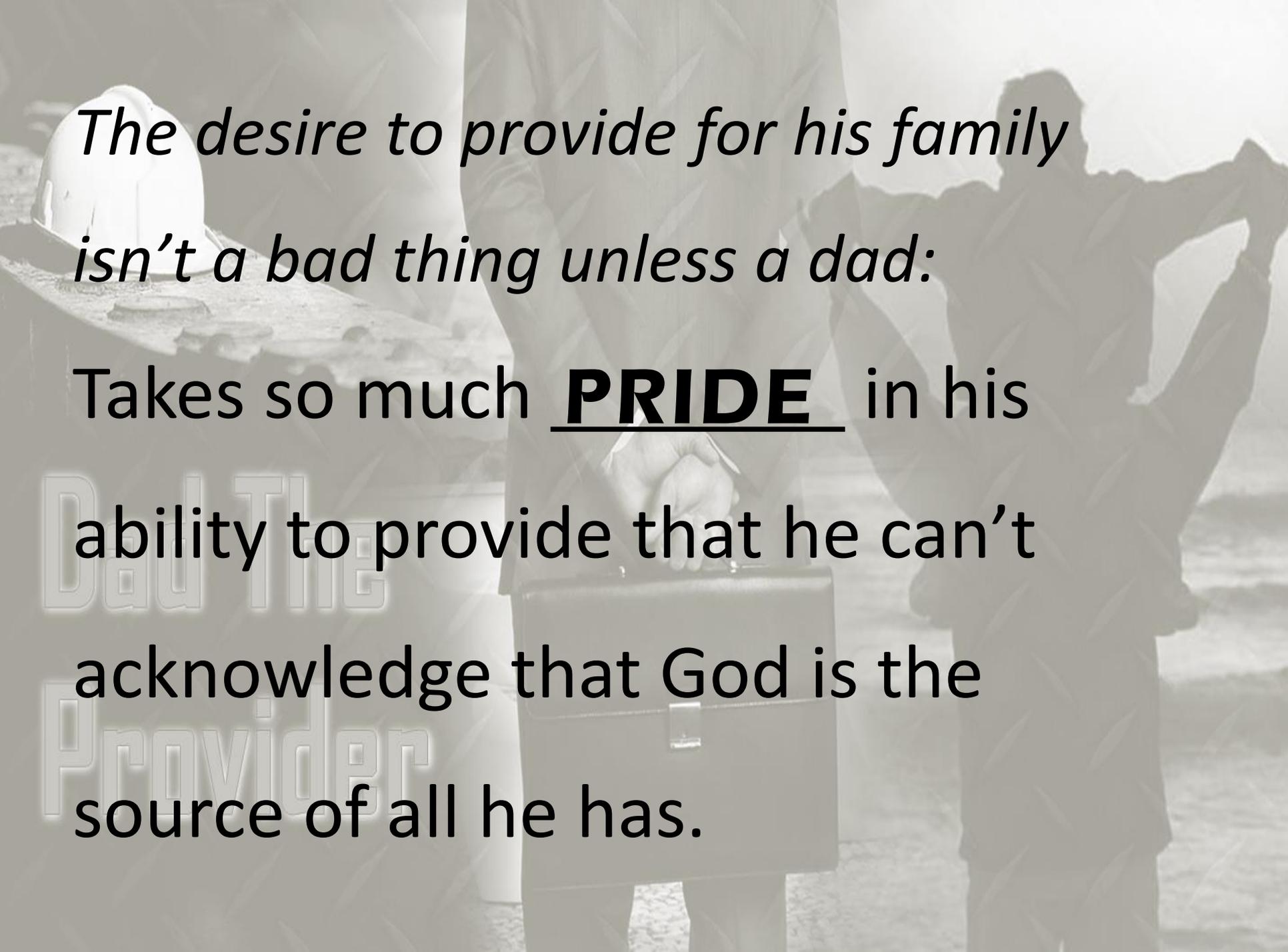
*The desire to provide for his family
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Is so committed to providing for

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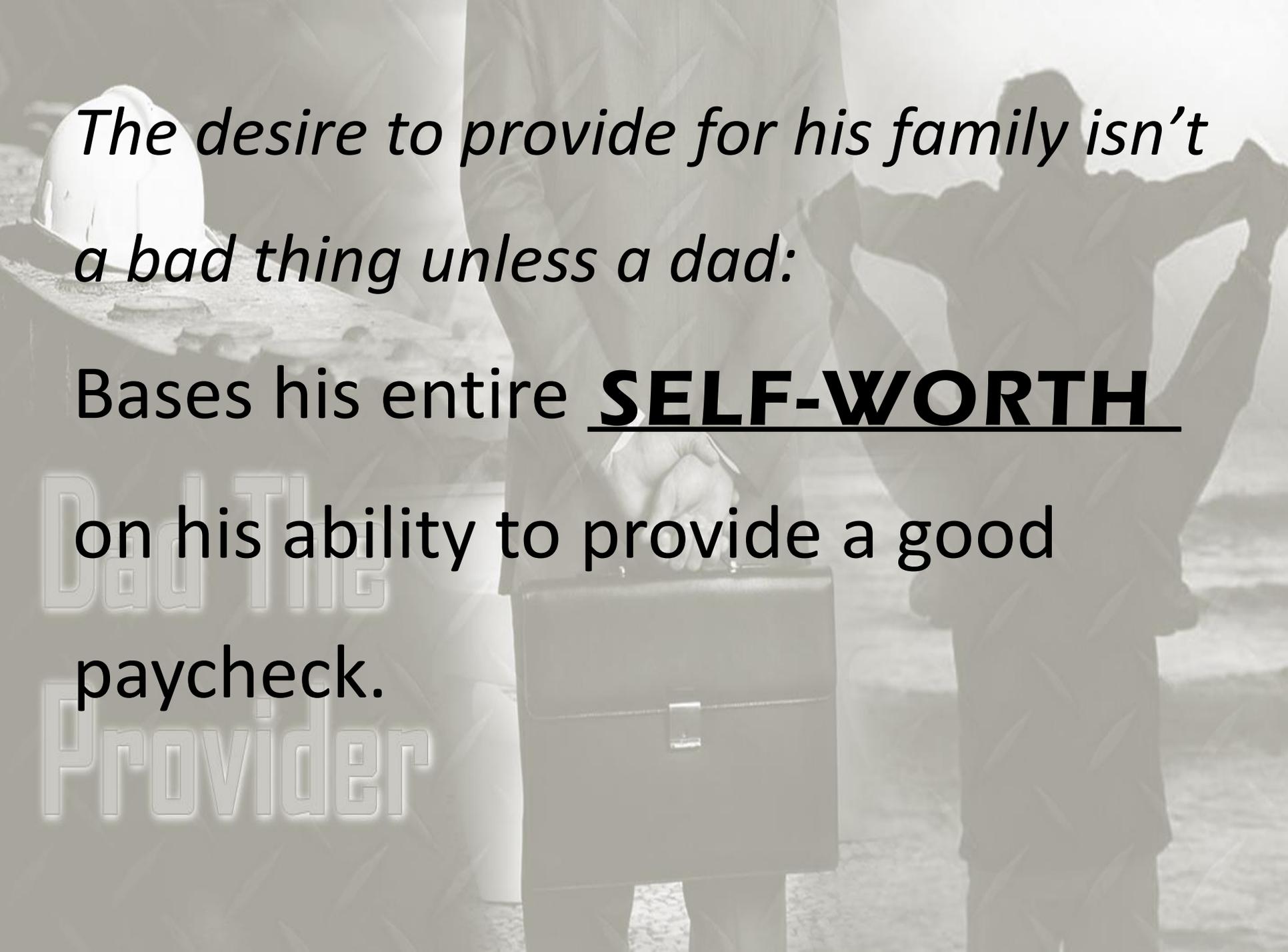
he ignores his **SPIRITUAL**

responsibilities.



*The desire to provide for his family
isn't a bad thing unless a dad:*

Takes so much **PRIDE** in his
ability to provide that he can't
acknowledge that God is the
source of all he has.

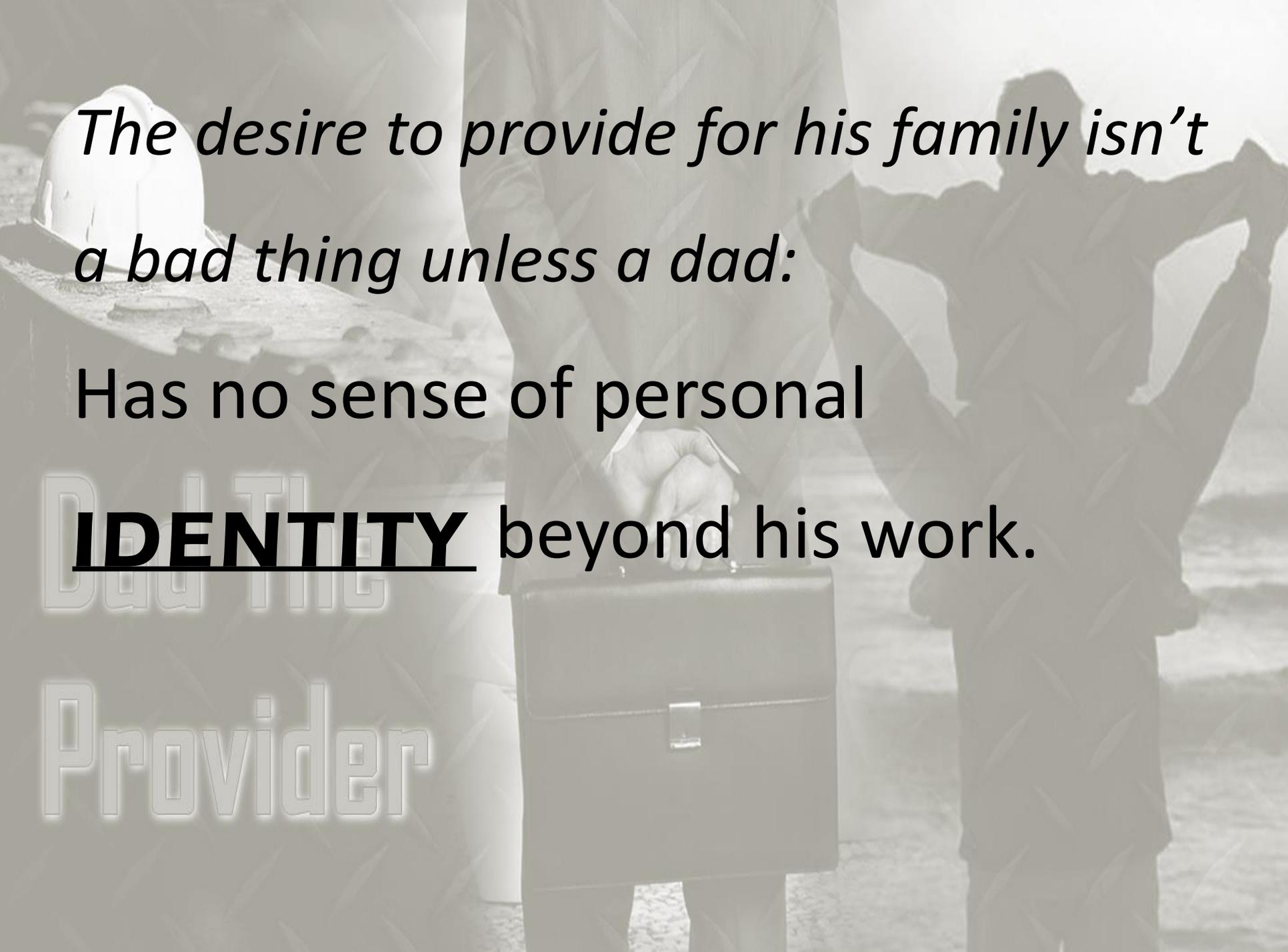


*The desire to provide for his family isn't
a bad thing unless a dad:*

Bases his entire **SELF-WORTH**

on his ability to provide a good
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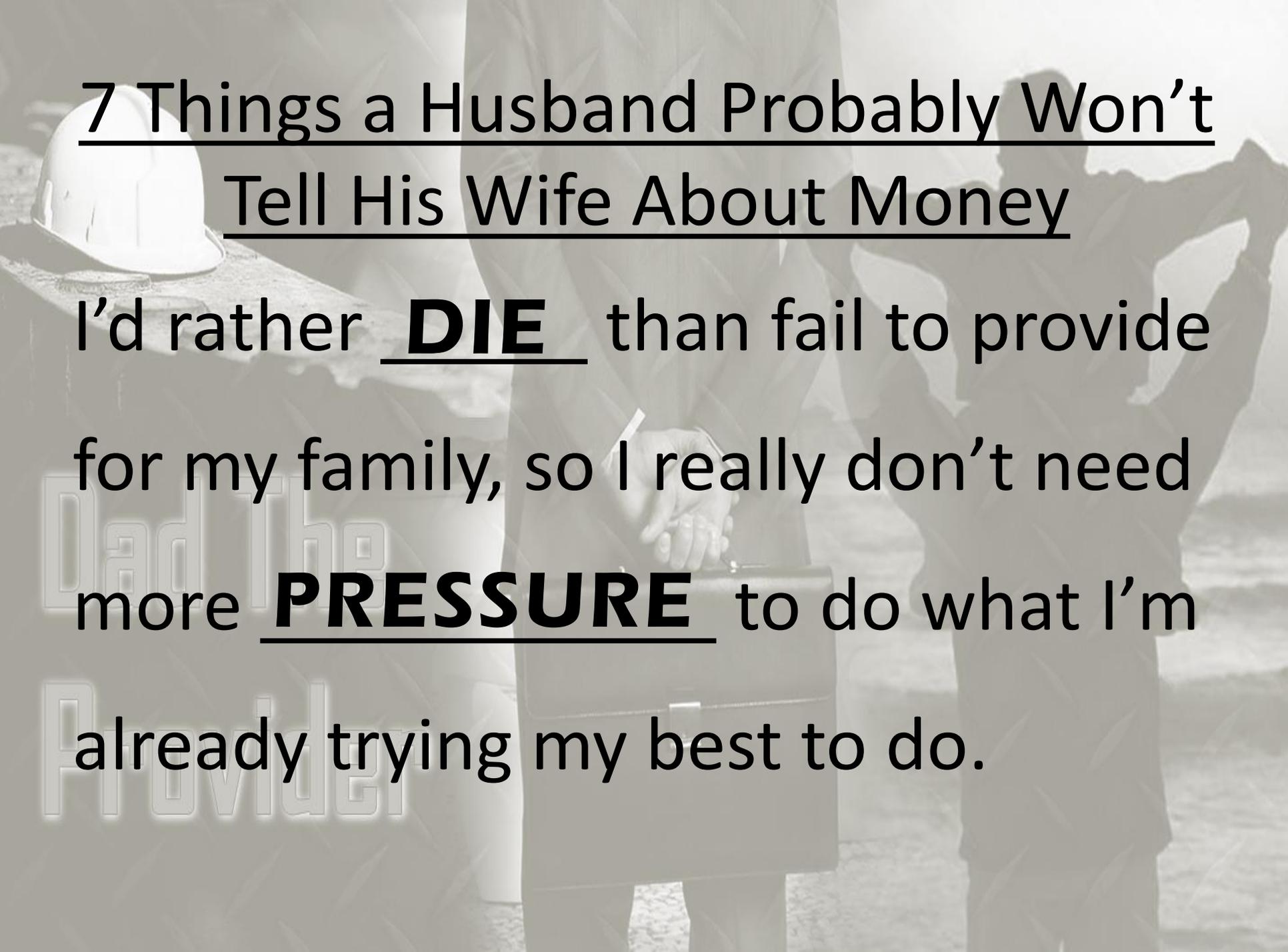


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Has no sense of personal

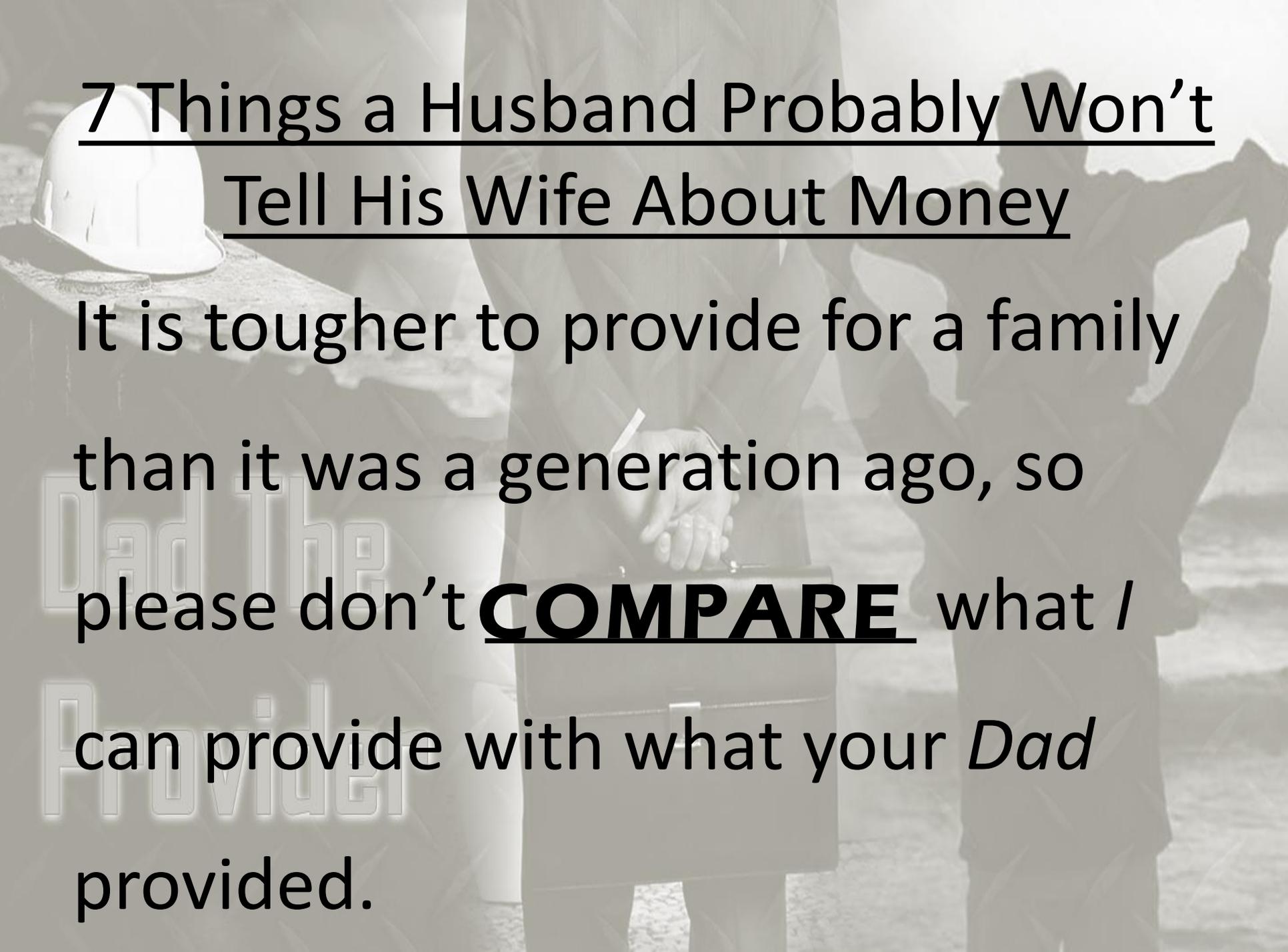
IDENTITY beyond his work.

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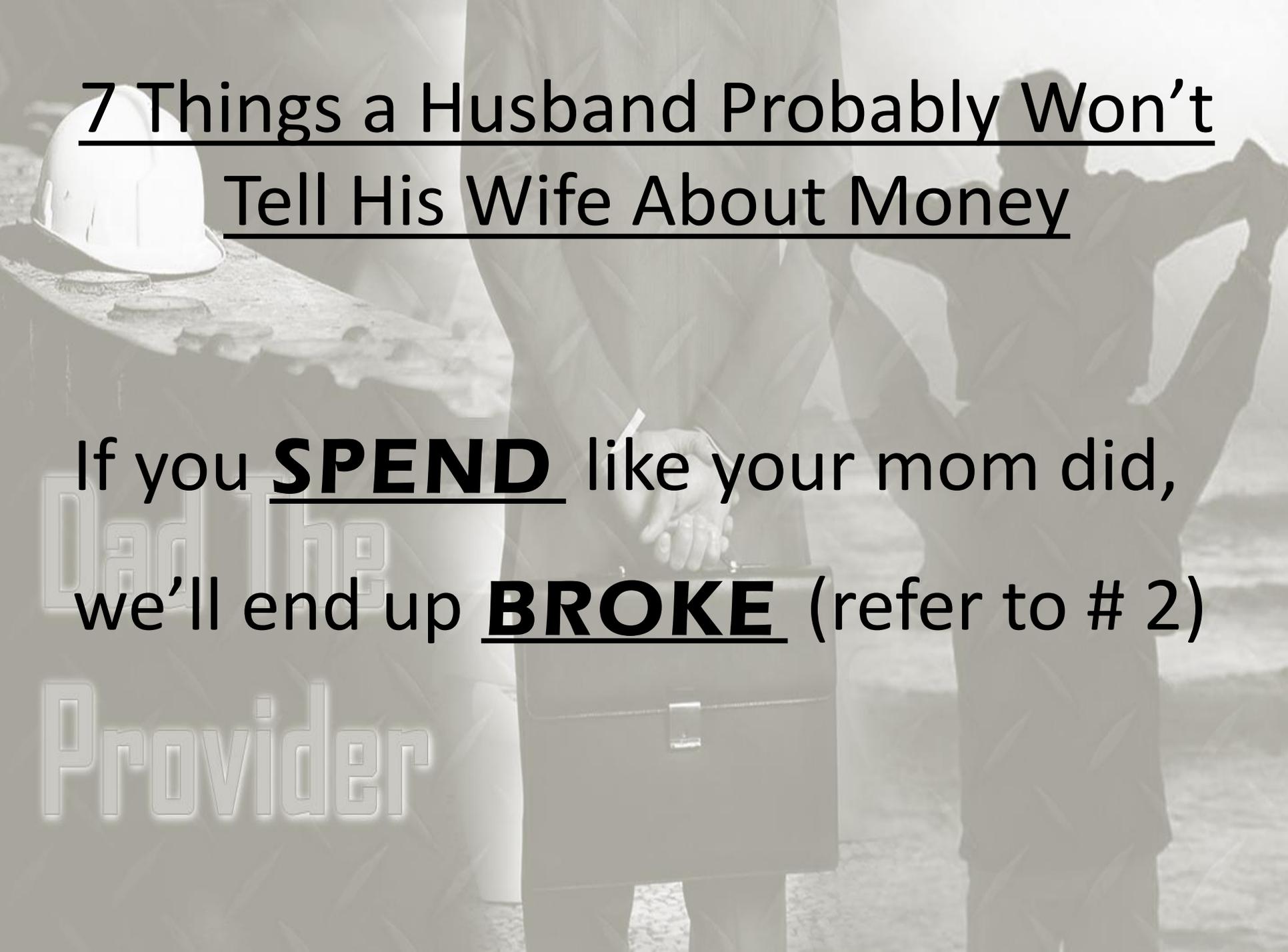
7 Things a Husband Probably Won't Tell His Wife About Money

I'd rather **DIE** than fail to provide for my family, so I really don't need more **PRESSURE** to do what I'm already trying my best to do.



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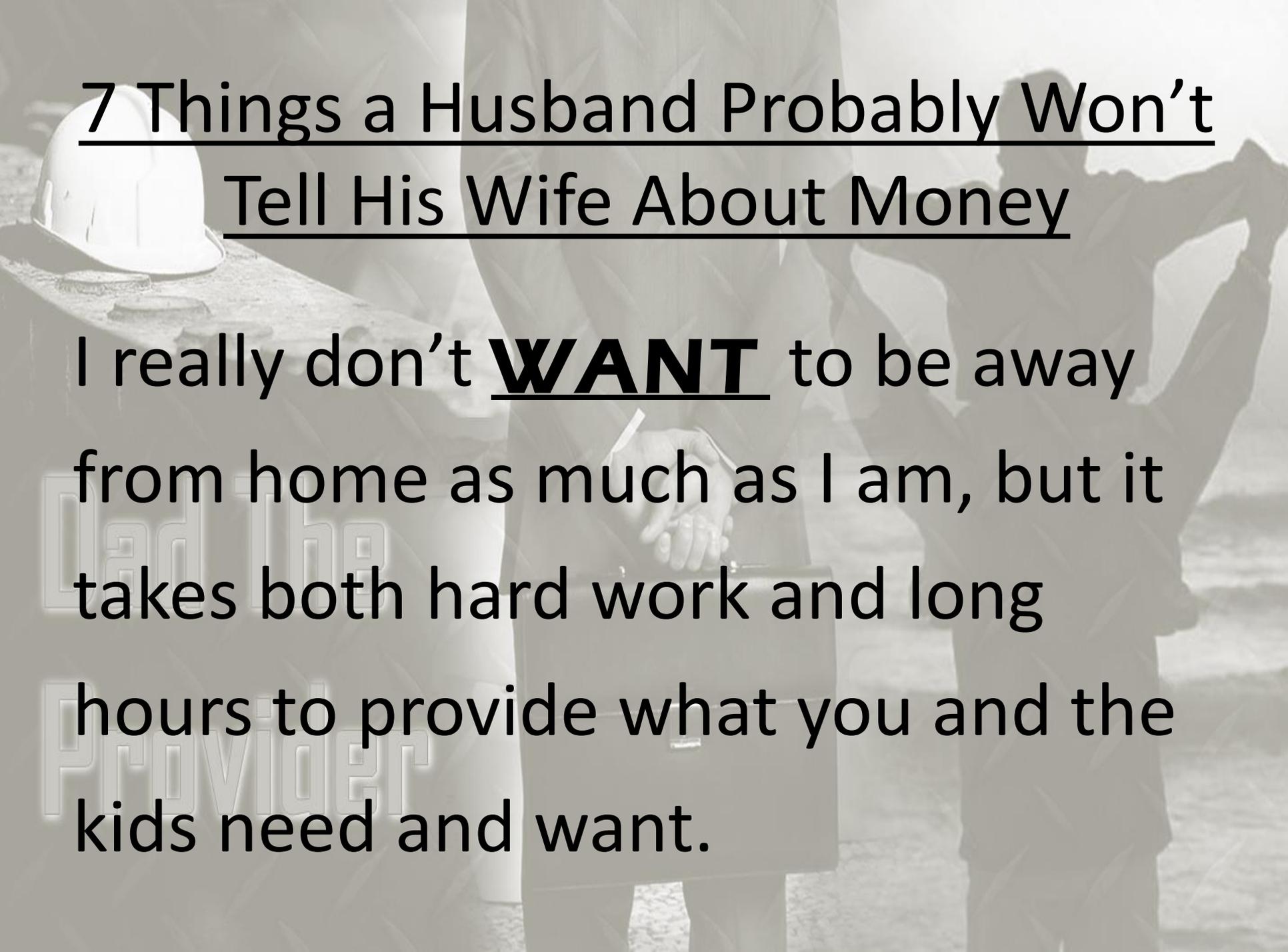
It is tougher to provide for a family than it was a generation ago, so please don't **COMPARE** what I can provide with what your *Dad* provided.



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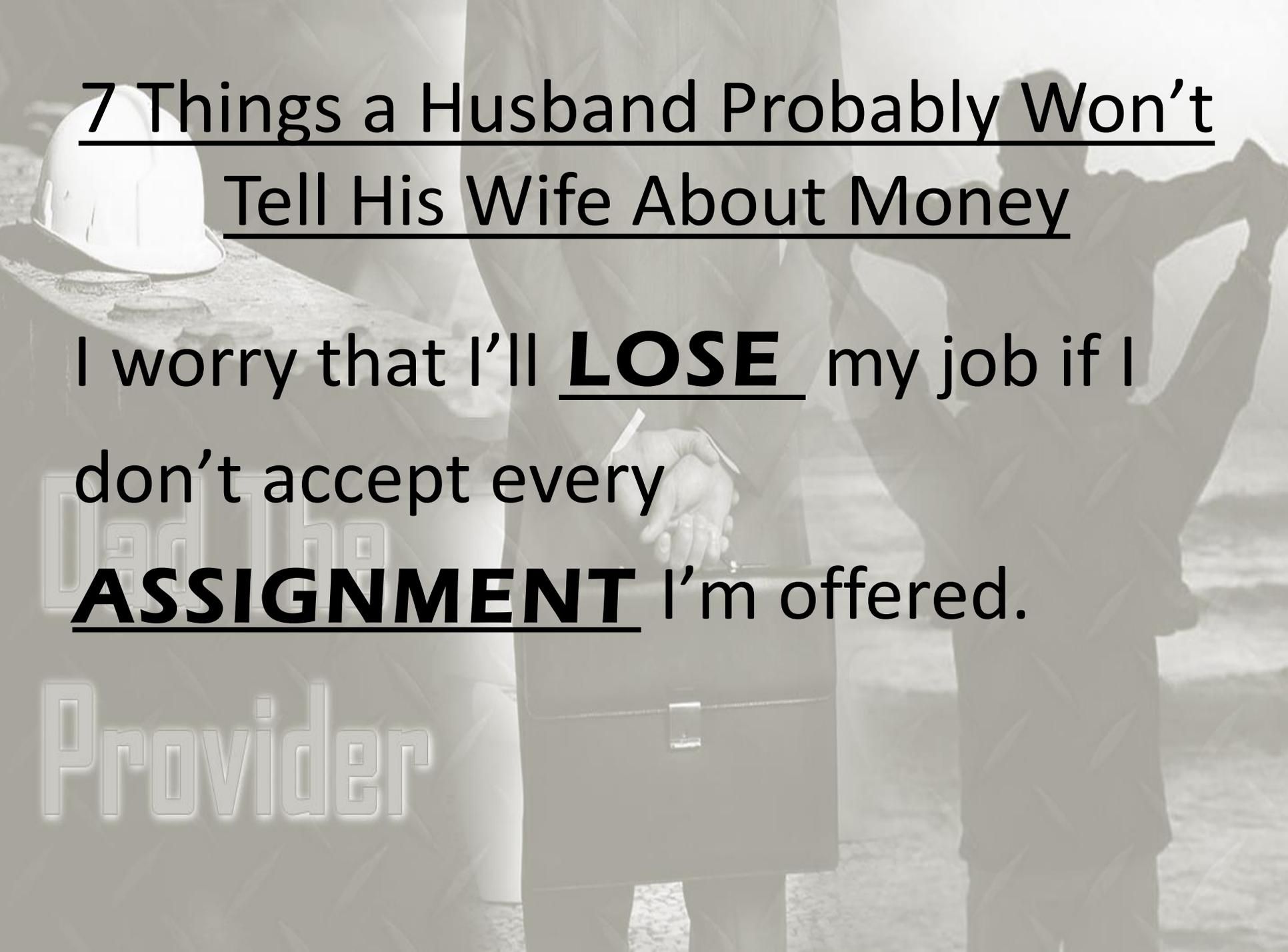
If you **SPEND** like your mom did,
we'll end up **BROKE** (refer to # 2)

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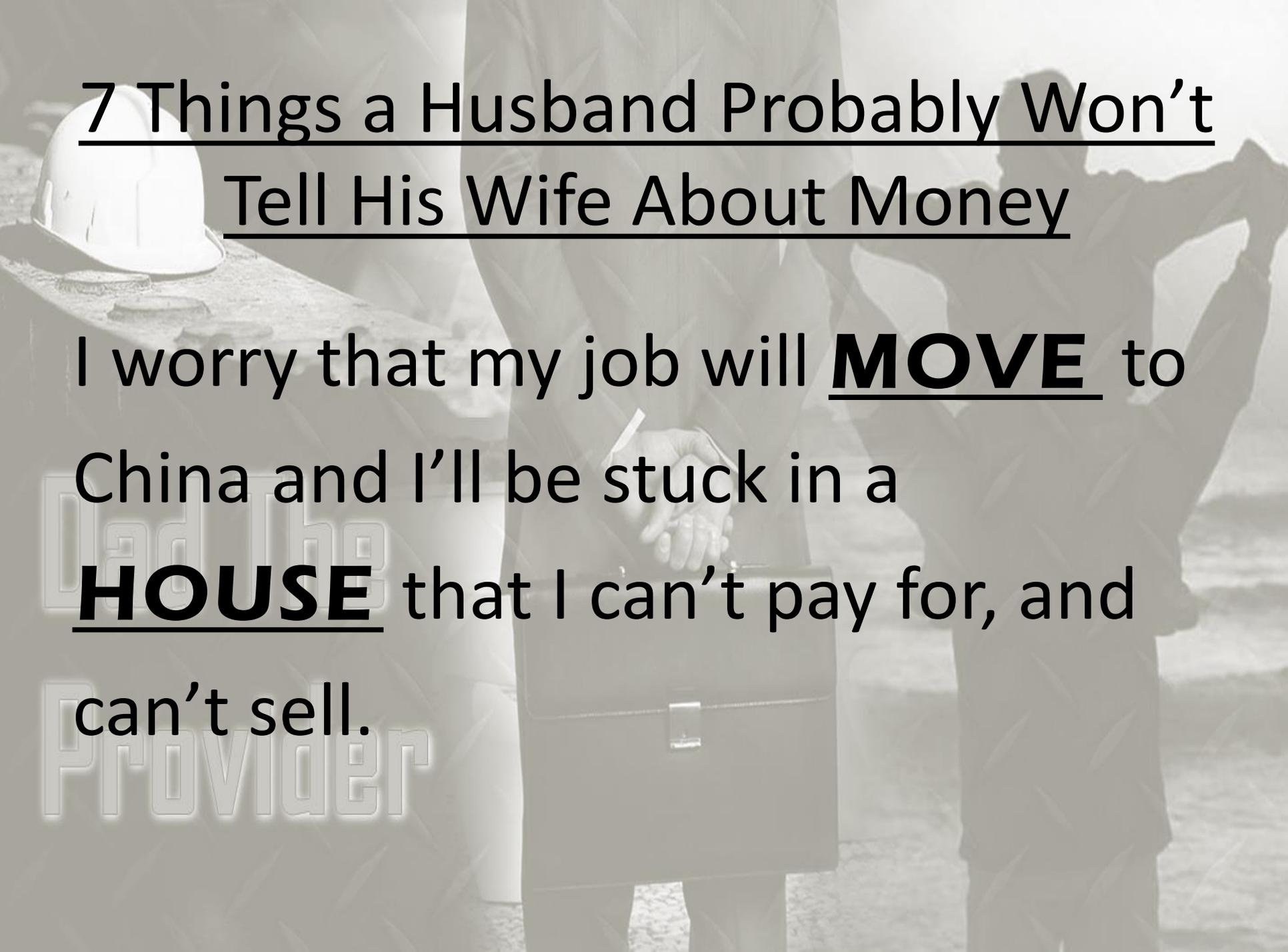
I really don't **WANT** to be away from home as much as I am, but it takes both hard work and long hours to provide what you and the kids need and want.



7 Things a Husband Probably Won't
Tell His Wife About Money

I worry that I'll **LOSE** my job if I
don't accept every
ASSIGNMENT I'm offered.

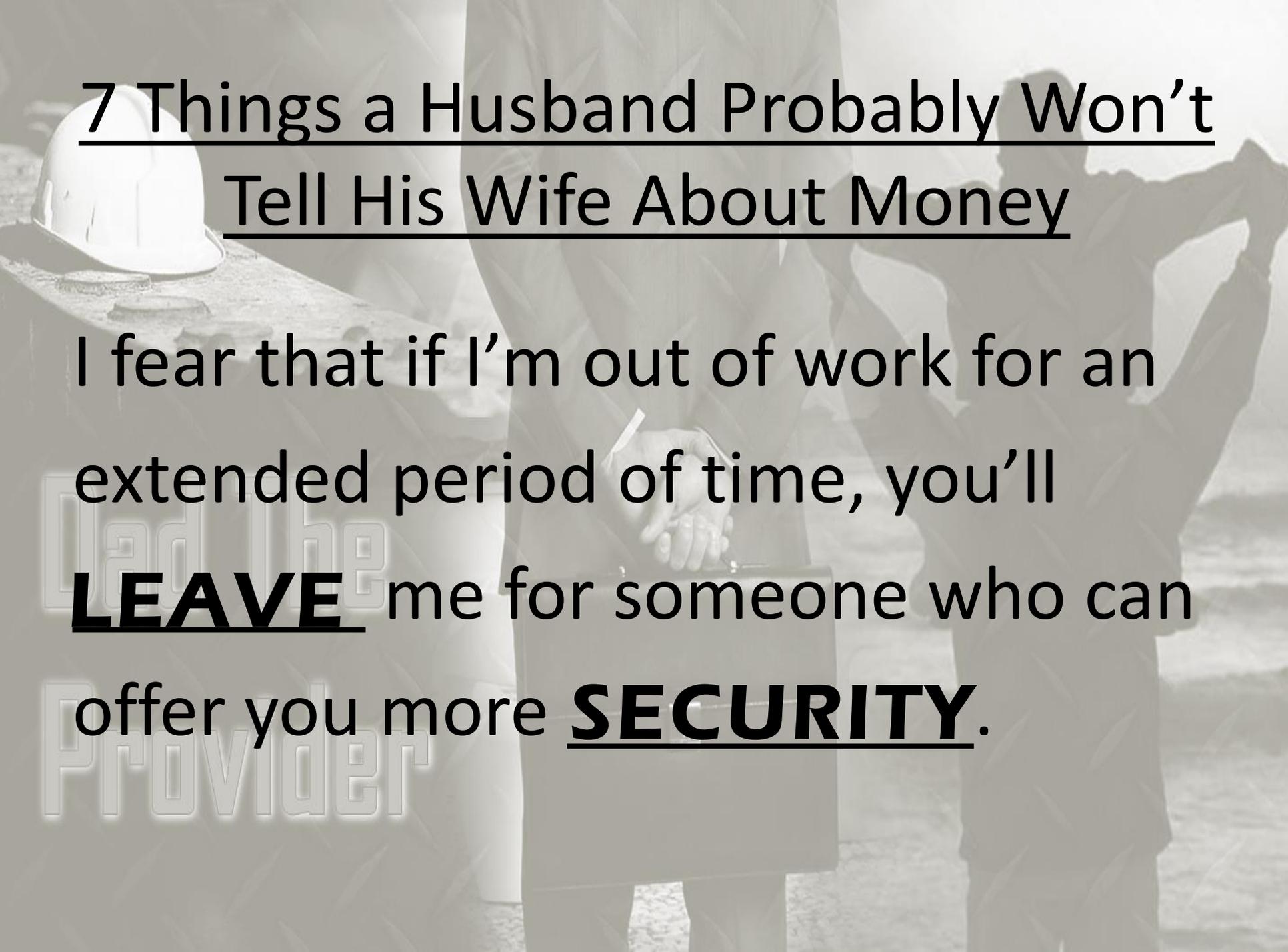
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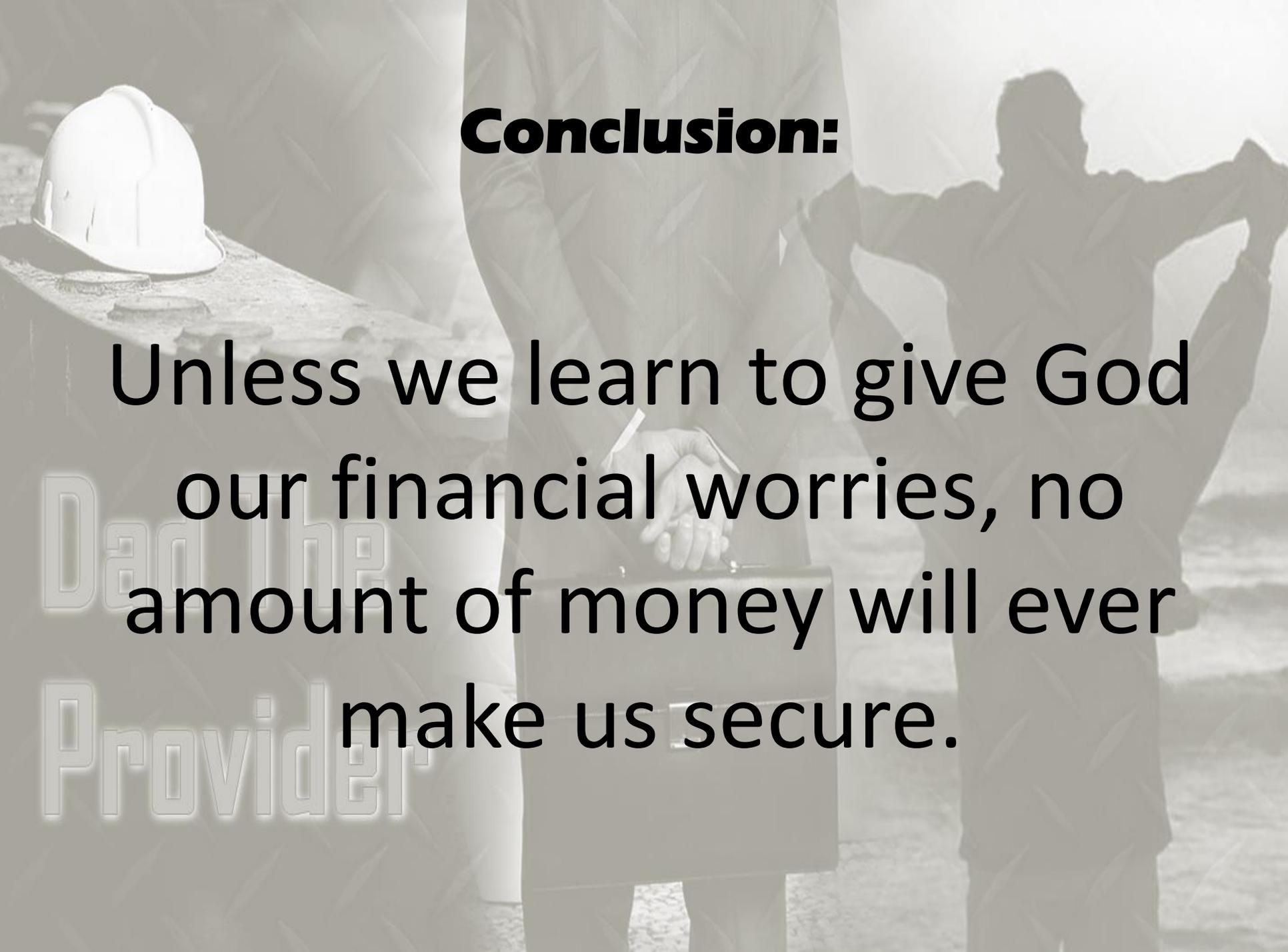
I worry that my job will **MOVE** to
China and I'll be stuck in a
HOUSE that I can't pay for, and
can't sell.

Dead End
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7 Things a Husband Probably Won't Tell His Wife About Money

I fear that if I'm out of work for an extended period of time, you'll **LEAVE** me for someone who can offer you more **SECURITY.**



Conclusion:

Unless we learn to give God our financial worries, no amount of money will ever make us secure.

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