

# Famine Will Arise



**Philippians 4:11-13**

- **Shifting Requires Us to Be More Than Conquerors – Romans 8:35-39**
- **More than conquerors: over and above; super victorious.**
- **Purpose: to make us aware that we can live a victorious life in the mist of Life’s challenges.**
- **Goal: to persuade us that we are more than conquerors no matter what is happening in our lives.**
  
- **Lesson #1 – We Are More Than Conquerors When Tribulation Arise – John 16:29-33**
- **Tribulation – the unavoidable afflictions of life.**
- **The answer to tribulation is the peace of God.**
  
- **Lesson #2 – Distress Will Arise**
- **Distress – those internal and external pressures that we face for Christ’s sake.**
- **The answer to distress is prayer.**
  
- **Lesson #3 – Persecution Will Arise**
- **Persecution – that which is intended to draw you away and cause you to flee from your assignment.**
- **The answer to persecution is the joy of the Lord.**

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- **Famine – to have no food, to be starving and to have no way to secure food.**
- **I want to minister to those who feel ashamed because they don’t have certain physical things in life.**
- **There was no one more committed to God than Paul.**
  
- **There are three reasons why we suffer lack.**
- 1. **We suffer lack for the necessary substances of life for natural causes.**
  - **Don’t let your natural needs drive you outside of the boundaries of your faith.**
- A. **Do not seek unscriptural methods to meet your natural needs.**

- B. Do not misinterpret God's Word to meet your natural needs.**
- C. Do not develop itching ears (2 Tim 4:3).**

**2. We suffer lack of the necessary substances of life because of spiritual reasons.**

- A. I am suffering lack because I am carrying out the will of God.**
- B. I am suffering lack because of my assignment.**
- C. I am suffering lack because God may have caused it.**
  - **There are three things that God has in mind when He causes a drought.**
    - 1. God wants to show forth His strength in weakness.**
    - 2. God wants to show the world that we don't need things to glorify Him.**
    - 3. God wants to show through us that He is God.**
      - **1 Kings 17:1-16 – you have enough until the rain comes.**

**3. We suffer lack because of bad choices (Col. 2:4, 8, 16).**

- A. Some of us did not know the truth, we were beguiled by the church.**
- B. Some of us have been spoiled.**
  - **Spoil – we can no longer be used for our intended purpose.**
- C. Some of us have been judged.**
  - **Faith is the answer for famine.**