

GROWING IN FAITH



Scripture

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

- Psalm 121:1-2

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me. Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick?' 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

- Matthew 25:35-40

GOING DEEPER

1. Have you heard the phrase, "Prayer like all depends on God and work like all depends on you?"

What does it mean to you?

What do you depend on God for?

2. Paul told early Christians in Thessalonians that if "you don't work you don't eat."

Was he being harsh?

What did the belief that Jesus was coming back soon have to do with his attitude?

3. The Gospels are pretty clear about helping those less fortunate than us.

Who are those in our society today who need God's help?