

If God is For Us, What's the Problem?

(Why you can't leave God out of economics)
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“What, then, shall we say in response to these things? **If God is for us**, who can be against us?”
(Romans 8:31 NIV)

Where are we?

A moment of **global shift**.

A moment of **God hostility**.

“Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together against the LORD and against his anointed, saying, ‘Let us break their chains and throw off their shackles.’ The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. (Psalm 2:1-4 NIV)

A moment of **great opportunity**.

What must we NOT do?

We must not **worry**.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Phil 4:6-7 NIV)

We must not **whine**.

“I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. **I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation**, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength.” (Phil 4:10-13 NIV)

We must not **wait**.

What must we do?

We must **intercede**.

“When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and **I will forgive their sin and will heal their land**.”
(2 Chronicles 7:13-14 NIV)

We must **engage**.

“He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.” (Luke 19:12-13 KJV)

We must **innovate**.

“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” (Phil 4:8 NIV)