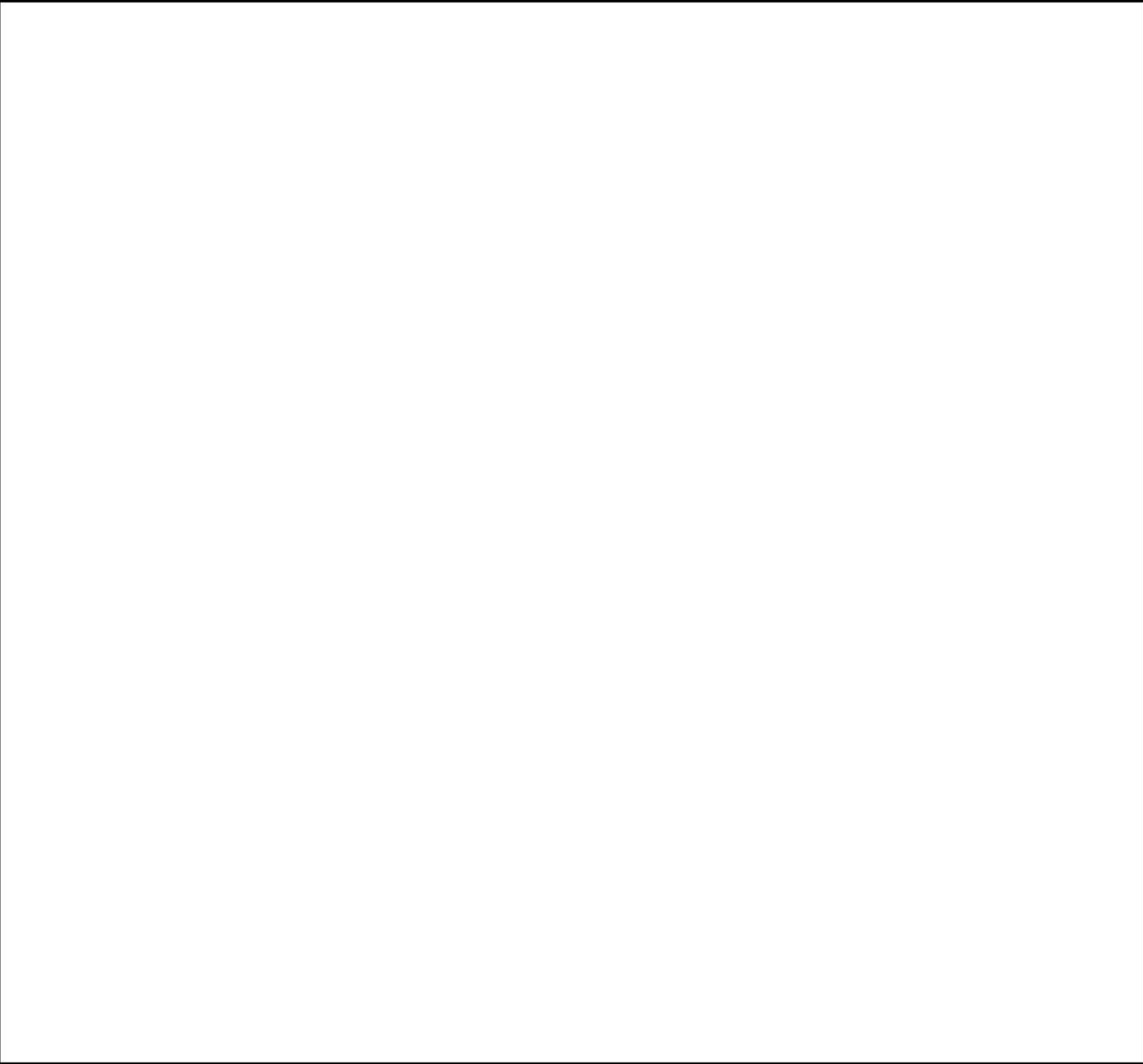


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**And why is he taking care of
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**DON'T
WASTE
YOUR LIFE!**

LIVING LIFE TO THE VERY MAXIMUM!

Sticking your fingers in the outlet of GOD

Hebrews 12:18-29

²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom
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let us be thankful,
and so worship God acceptably
with reverence and awe,
²⁹for our “God is a consuming fire.”

Romans 5:1-2

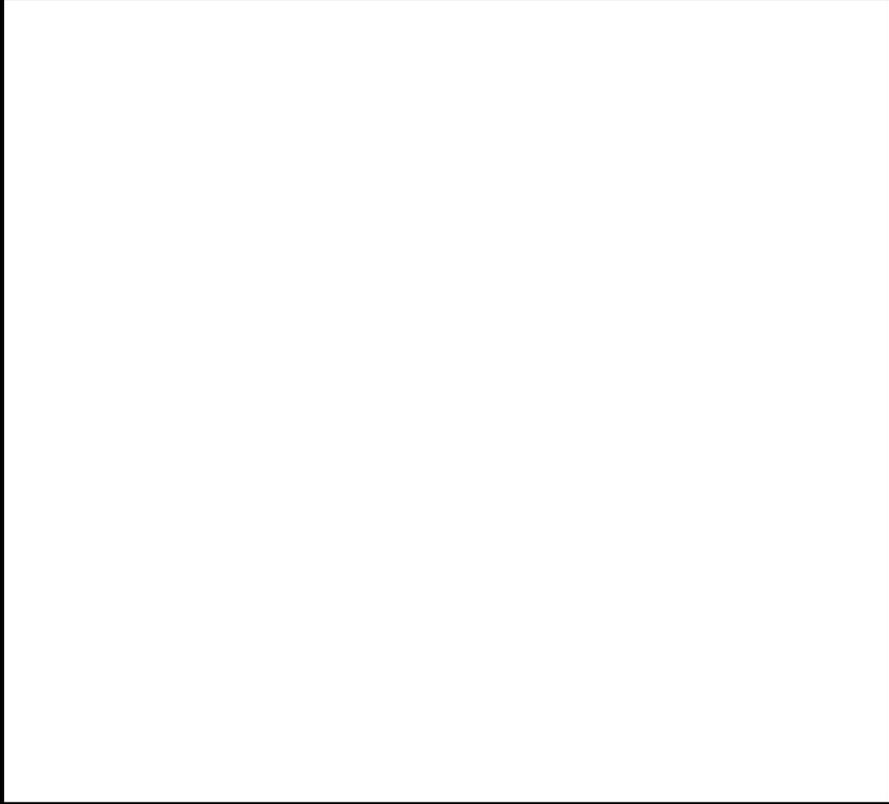
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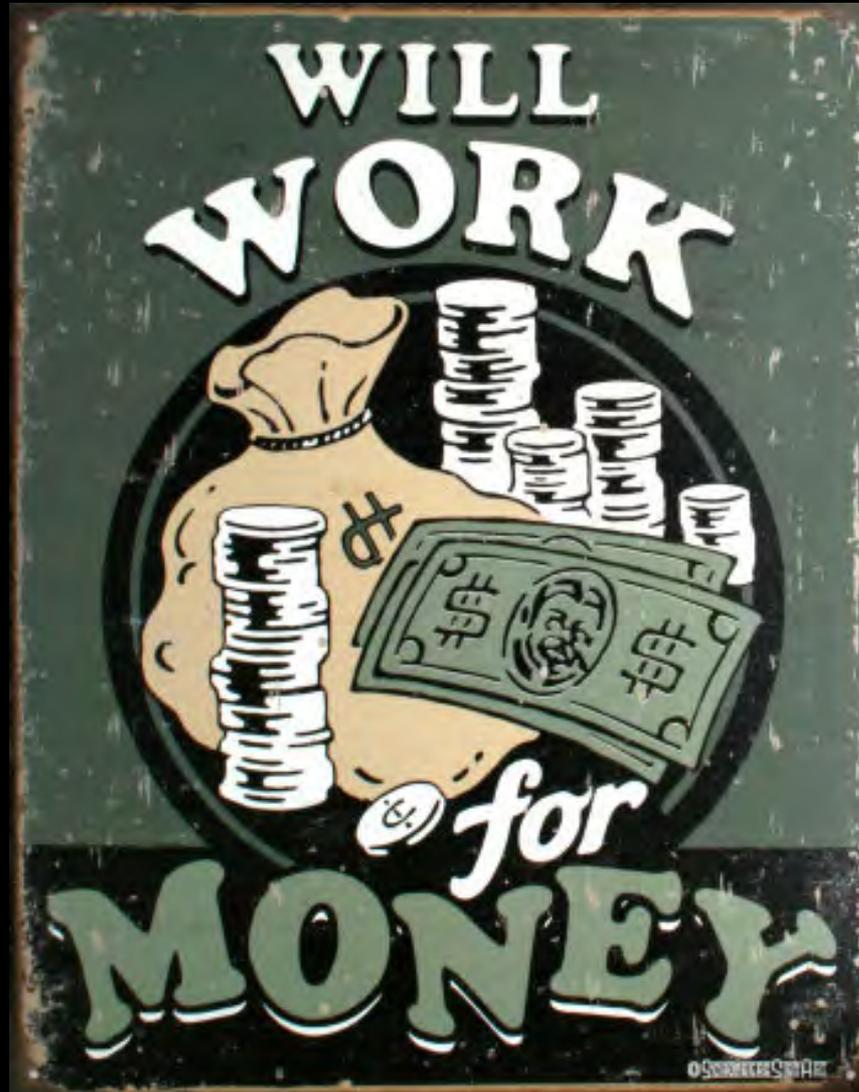
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for dust you are
and to dust you will return."**



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Frustration Futility Struggle

- Miscommunication
- Broken Printers
- Flat Tire
- Computer Viruses
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- Broken Relationships
- Bureaucracy
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- etc.



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- Seek God's character
- Mentor:
 - Find one
 - Be one

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