

*God may not pay for what  
He does not order*

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Imagine yourself in a restaurant when the waiter begins filling your table with dishes of food which you did not order. Without regard to how good the food may look, smell, or taste, it is unlikely that you will want to pay for those things which you did not order. How would you feel if that same waiter demanded that you be responsible for the entire bill?

This happened to me recently in a foreign country. Although I was nice, I was nonetheless firm. To the waiter's amazement I stood against every plea and refused to pay for those things which I had not ordered. Sometimes, I believe God does the same. He is not obligated to take care of every bill we make on our own. Be prayerful before you decide what is best for God and where He needs to spend His money or you may be faced with paying the bill yourself.

Prayer for Today

Father, speak to me and give me the wisdom to only obligate myself for things which I know are within Your will. Help me not to waste Your resources on things which You would not do.

Scriptures for Today

Luke 12:16-20 Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.'" But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' (NKJV)

James 4:13-15 Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit"; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that." (NKJV)