

Deuteronomy 8:3

So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.

In the midst of what's going on in the world, my niece posted something on social media that I thought was funny, yet so true:

I know Y'all think I'm OK.

But deep down I just wanna go eat, at a Mexican restaurant again.

I don't know about you, but I love Mexican food. I could live on Mexican food and Pizza and nothing else for the rest of my life. But with all that is going on, the best we can do is order take out or drive through a fast food restaurant.

But here is something to think about over the weekend.

If all the restaurants were shut down, would you starve? No, because you can cook at home.

If all the churches couldn't even broadcast live services, would you starve spiritually?

Your answer should actually be the same as it would for food, which is no, because you can read and study God's word yourself at home, just like you can cook at home.

Yet how many have been starving themselves spiritually every week prior to all that's going on? How many only go to church once a week, and that's all the spiritual food they get? What if you ate only once a week? How long would it take before you would end up in a hospital because of your poor eating habits and malnutrition.

"Hey I read a devotional every day, so I am feeding on the word everyday."

That's like saying I eat a granola bar once a day every week, then one meal on Sunday.

Just as you cook and prepare meals for yourself, you have to do more than nibble (a devotional) on God's word once a day. No, you need to get in there and read the Bible for yourself.

If you have never read through the bible, then you have no idea what you are missing. You will find things that would shock you, and things that would make you laugh. Things that would make you cry and angry and happy and excited and inspired and fall in love more and more with God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

But no, go ahead and eat your granola bar once a day, and miss out on great meals because you don't want to feast on God's word.

† **Hebrews 5:12-14** *For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

† **Psalms 119:103** *How sweet are Your words to my taste, Sweeter than honey to my mouth!*