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## God Cares

THE first October mornings always send a little shivery thrill of anticipation chasing up and down my spine! Soon the trees will be changing their summer frocks for beautifully colored autumn ones. Maples will be changing to flaming red with splashes of yellow; hickories and elms will be gold; sumacs will wave rich dark-red plumes like flaming torches above fronds of brilliant red and green; the walnuts will be stripped of leaves only to reveal their harvest of nuts! Jack Frost will lay a chilling hand on flower beds and gardens and fields, but he will put a snap in the air that makes just the act of breathing sheer joy. When I was a child little girls wore pinafores, just as little girls do now. What joy I found in running up and down the walk in front of my home, the tails of my pinafore caught in my hands and the wind billowing it out behind me like miniature sails on a small ship!

Along with the added zest for living October also brings a deeper realization of God's loving care for His world and for His children. The October winds bring down the leaves that we have loved through the summer days, but they will make warm blankets to cover the roots of plants and trees, and fertilize the soil for next year's growth. The chill of October days sends the birds flying to southlands, where they will find warmth and food through winter days. God's wild creatures grow heavier coats or find for themselves snug winter quarters in hollow logs or dark caves or in the deep mud at the bottom of creeks and ponds.

These are just some of the ways in which our heavenly Father makes provision for His world and its creatures. Just as surely as He makes provision for these things He makes provision for you. He has given you eyes to behold His beauty; ears to hear the joy expressed by those about you; a heart to feel love; strong, willing feet to take you wherever you need to go; capable, loving hands to take care of your needs and the needs of others; a clear-thinking mind to understand His loving counsel and guidance!

God is kind and generous in providing for us. We can show Him our gratitude by using His gifts to make others happy.


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