

The Cattle on a Thousand Hills

PS 50:10 for every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.

I lived in Dallas Texas for about a year and located there in Dallas is one of the nation's great seminaries: Dallas Theological Seminary. Graduates from this school are among some of the finest Christian authors and ministers that God has raised up.

A true story is told about the early days of the school and a pressing financial need that existed. The school was approaching the deadline for a payment on the school property and they were going to be unable to make the payment. The Seminary Board members met in a room to discuss the situation and told their secretary they were not to be disturbed. They decided to take a time to pray for the situation which was going to determine the future of the school or if there would be a school at all. As each person prayed they finally came around to one of the good old country boys who prayed, "Lord we know you own the cattle on a 1000 hills. Please sell some of those cattle and send us the money because we need it, now."

Shortly after he prayed this prayer there was a knock at the door and the secretary apologized for interrupting but a letter had arrived from one of the school's supporters. As you can already guess, the envelope contained a check for the exact amount of money that was needed. The letter attached to the check explained that the donor who was a Texas cattle rancher had sold a large herd recently and had been impressed that they might have a financial need and hence he had send them the check.

Oh what a wonderful God we serve Who, by our standards, is sometimes slow but is never late.

1PE 5:6-7 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your cares on him because he cares for you.

Paul writes in Phillipians 4:6:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, 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.

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