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Sunday Morning Prayer & Scripture

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"No Action Served" (Now, Don't Be A Couch Believer)

The Lord said: MY Church has gotten lazy and complacent, just sitting around waiting on The Rapture and that's not what I want

"I'm Not Pleased"

"No Action Served": In the context of court proceedings, **"no action served**" generally means that a case has been <u>terminated</u> or a decision has been made by the court to <u>not proceed with the charges</u> or legal action. It signifies that the prosecutor or the court has <u>decided not to pursue a specific case</u>, either because of insufficient evidence, a decision to <u>drop the charges</u>, or other reasons.

couch po-ta-to: A person who <u>spends</u> little or no time <u>exercising</u>, lots of watching television.

The term "couch potato" refers to <u>a lazy person</u> who spends a lot of time <u>watching</u> TV or otherwise sitting on the couch. It's a descriptive term that compares a person's <u>lack of physical activity</u> to a vegetable, as they are seemingly sedentary and motionless.

Reasons must rejecting laziness: Christians are called to Honor and Glorify God in all we do, and laziness dishonors Him.

Spiritual growth: Laziness can hinder spiritual growth and effectiveness in ministry.

Witnessing to the world: A strong work ethic can be a positive witness to those outside the faith.

The Bible doesn't label laziness as a sin, it does emphasize the importance of diligence and hard work for Christians. Laziness is viewed as a hindrance to honoring God, serving others, and growing spiritually. Believers are encouraged to overcome laziness through prayer, dependence on God, and developing Christ like habits.



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2 Thessalonians 3:10-11

(The Apostle Pau Wrote)

Holman Christian Standard Bible

(10) In fact, when we were with you, this is what we commanded you: "If anyone isn't willing to work, he should not eat."

Amplified Bible

(11) Indeed, we hear that some among you are leading an undisciplined *and* inappropriate life, doing no work at all, but acting like busybodies [meddling in other people's business].

Romans 12:11

Contemporary English Version

(11) Never give up. Eagerly follow the Holy Spirit and serve the Lord.

GOD'S WORD® Translation

(11) Don't be lazy in showing your devotion. Use your energy to serve the Lord.

Mace New Testament

(11) in business be not slothful, but of an active mind, making the best use of every incident.

1 Timothy 2:4-7

(The Apostle Paul speaking)

Contemporary English Version

(4) God wants everyone to be saved and to know the whole truth, which is,

Amplified Bible

(5) For there is [only] one God, and [only] one Mediator between God and mankind, the Man Christ Jesus,

Amplified Bible

(6) who gave Himself as a ransom [a substitutionary sacrifice to atone] for all, the testimony given at the right *and* proper time.

Contemporary English Version

(7) This is why God chose me to be a preacher and an apostle of the good news. I am telling the truth. I am not lying. God sent me to teach the Gentiles about faith and truth.



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1 Corinthians 15:57-58

New Living Translation

(57) But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amplified Bible

(58) Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord [always doing your best and <u>doing more than is needed</u>], being *continually* aware that your labor [even to the point of exhaustion] in the Lord is not futile *nor* wasted [it is never without purpose].

2 Peter 3:9

<u>The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise as some understand slowness, but is patient with you, not</u> wanting anyone to perish but everyone to come to repentance.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Isaiah 45:22

Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other.

Acts 17:30

Although God overlooked the ignorance of earlier times, He now commands all people everywhere to repent.

John 12:32

And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw everyone to Myself."

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Acts 4:12

Salvation exists in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."



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RUACD BREATH

The Hebrew language is based on word pictures and symbols. Each word conveys emotion and experience, not just information. Words in Hebrew often have specific images connected to them, like the one in the book of Isaiah when the prophet writes that God will arrive *"like a raging flood tide driven by the breath of the LORD"* (Isaiah 59:19, NLT). What an awesome image of God's power and beauty! This verse reminds me of the ocean crashing over rocks on the shore. The ocean is unstoppable and has immense power.

The Hebrew word for "breath" in this verse is *ruach*, which means "Spirit" and also means "wind." The idea is that the Holy Spirit arrives like a rushing tide. This seems to go against the idea of the Holy Spirit descending on Jesus "like a dove" when He came out of the water during His baptism—or does it? While I had always imagined a dove gently alighting on Jesus in this story, theologian Joan E. Taylor gives a different perspective after encountering a territorial dove on a trip to Jerusalem: "I can verify that a dove coming down on someone with wings flapping is something like a very powerful rush of wind striking one's head." This picture fits with the way the Spirit landed on the disciples like a "rushing wind" after Jesus' resurrection.

Does it matter if the dove descended gently or forcefully? Probably not. But, I like the idea of the Holy Spirit tearing open heaven and swooping down on Jesus with purpose and power! And I like knowing that today, we all have access to this determined Spirit.

How To pronounce "Ruach" (roo'-akh)



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