

Life Security

Luke 12:22-34

A photograph of a tax form (Schedule D, Form 1040) resting on a desk next to a cup of coffee. The form is titled "Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax". The main title "Life Security" and the subtitle "Luke 12:22-34" are overlaid on the image.

The tax form includes sections for "Capital Gains and Losses" and "Losses". It contains various boxes for reporting gains and losses from stocks, bonds, and other assets. A pen lies next to the form on the left.

Text at the bottom right of the form reads: "Kelly Sikkema".



**Do I worry about
my future?**

22 And he said to his disciples,
“Therefore I tell you,
do not be anxious about your life,
what you will eat,
nor about your body, what you will put on.

23 For life is more than food,
and the body more than clothing.

Luke 12:22-34 (ESV) (p.1/7)

24 Consider the ravens:
they neither sow nor reap,
they have neither storehouse nor barn,
and yet God feeds them.

Of how much more value are you than the
birds!

Luke 12:22-34 (ESV) (p.2/7)

25 And which of you by being anxious
can add a single hour to his span of life?

26 If then you are not able to do
as small a thing as that,
why are you anxious about the rest?

Luke 12:22-34 (ESV) (p.3/7)

27 Consider the lilies, how they grow:
they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you,
even Solomon in all his glory
was not arrayed like one of these.

28 But if God so clothes the grass,
which is alive in the field today,
and tomorrow is thrown into the oven,
how much more will he clothe you,
O you of little faith!

29 And do not seek what you are to eat
and what you are to drink, nor be worried.

30 For all the nations of the world
seek after these things,
and your Father knows that you need them.

Luke 12:22-34 (ESV) (p.5/7)

31 Instead, seek his kingdom,
and these things will be added to you.

32 “Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s
good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:22-34 (ESV) (p.6/7)

33 Sell your possessions, and give to the needy.
Provide yourselves with moneybags
 that do not grow old,
with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail,
where no thief approaches
 and no moth destroys.

34 For where your treasure is,
there will your heart be also.

Luke 12:22-34 (ESV) (p.7/7)

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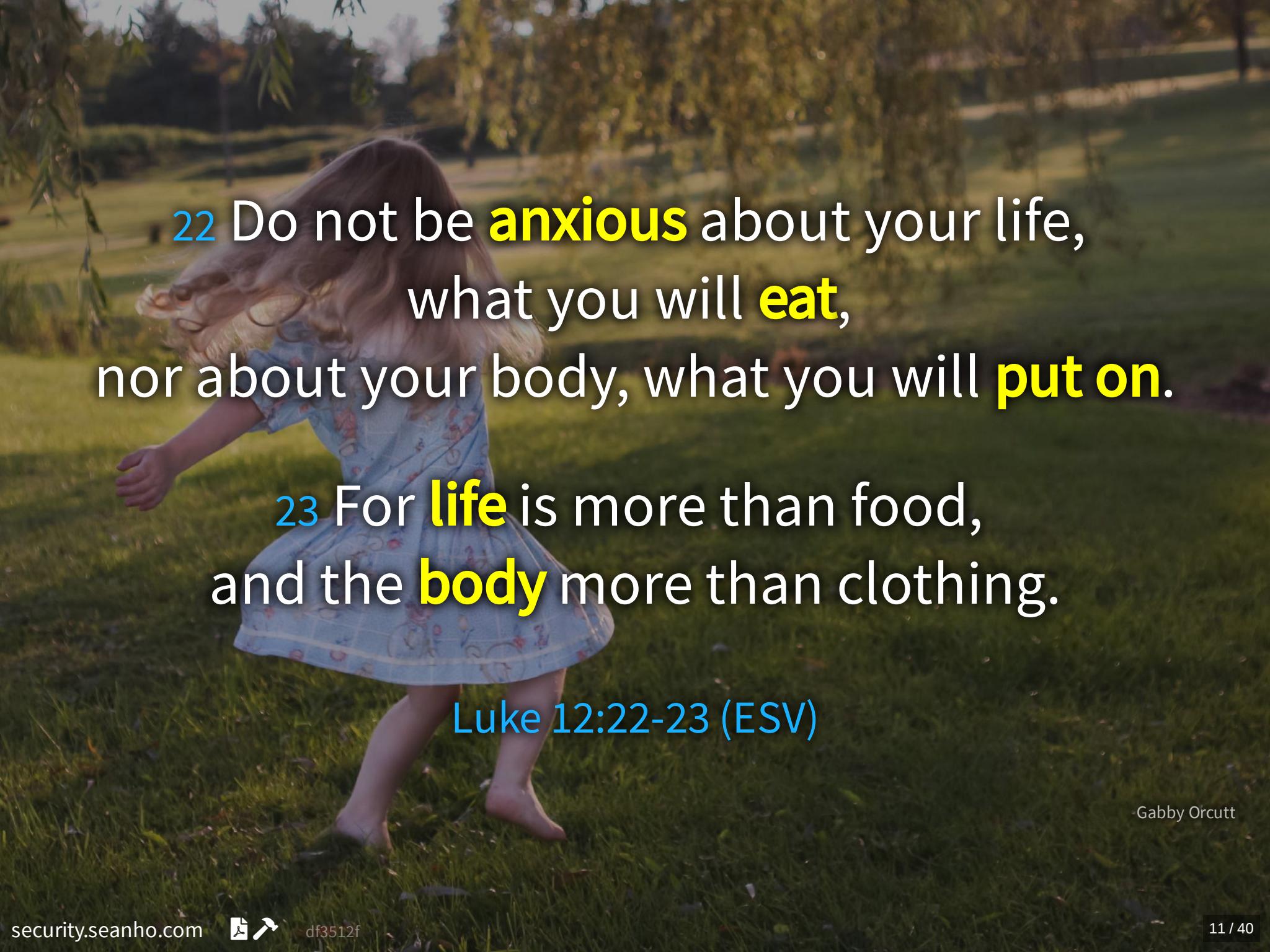
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2. Ability (v25-28)

3. Aim (v29-34)

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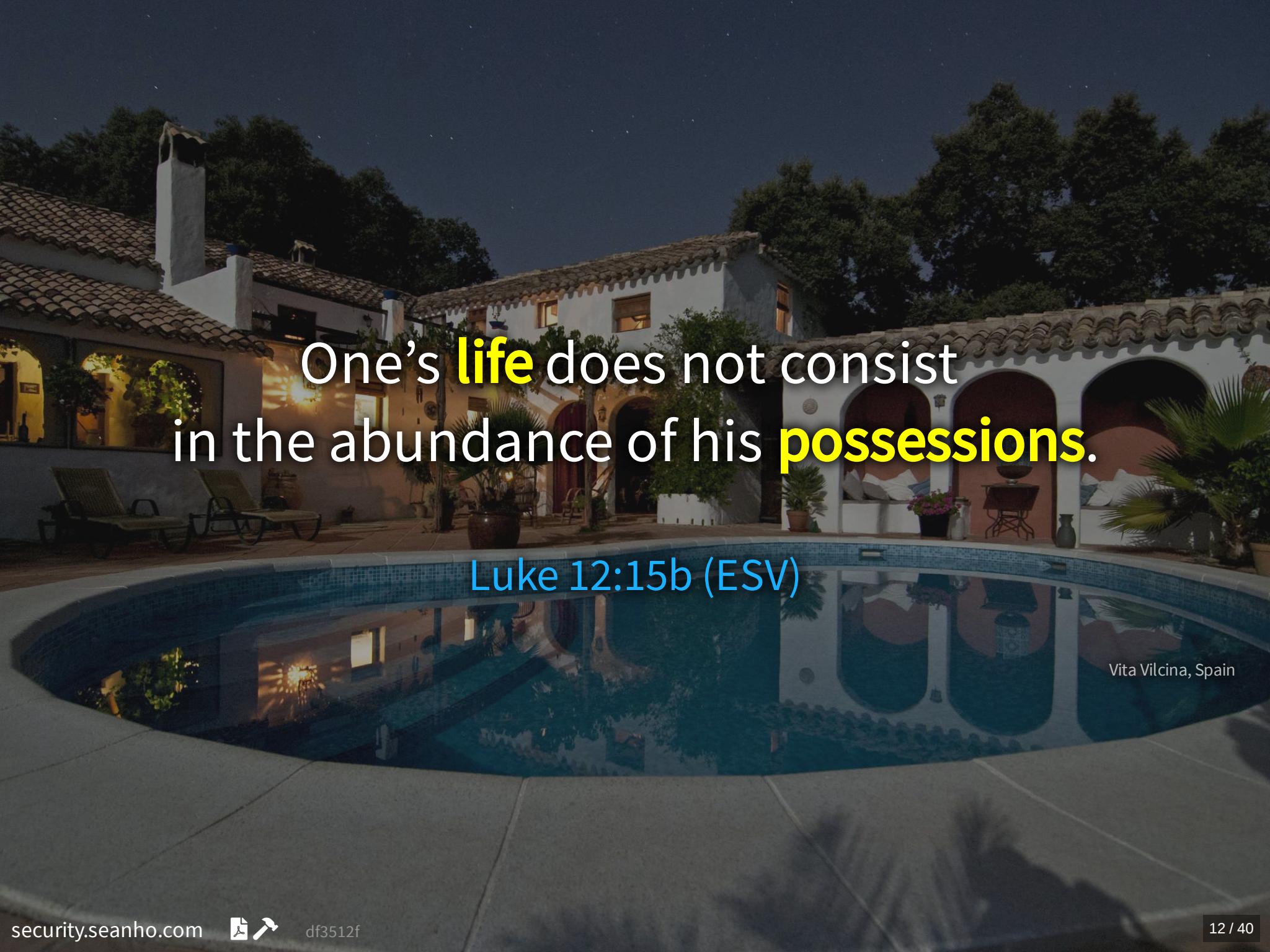


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and the **body** more than clothing.

Luke 12:22-23 (ESV)

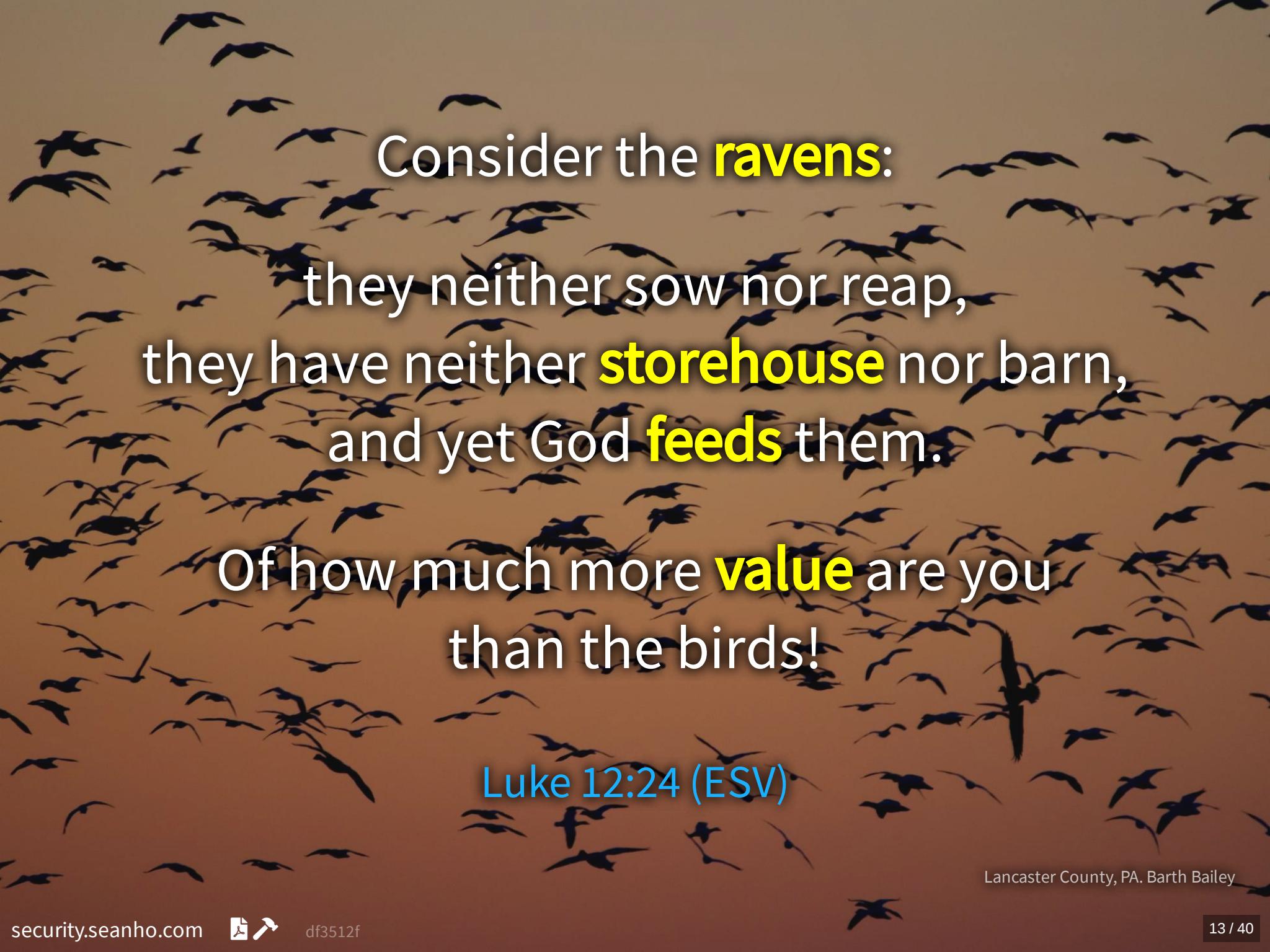
Gabby Orcutt

A night photograph of a traditional Spanish villa with a swimming pool in the foreground. The villa has white walls, a tiled roof, and arched doorways. The pool reflects the surrounding lights and the villa's facade.

One's **life** does not consist
in the abundance of his **possessions**.

Luke 12:15b (ESV)

Vita Vilcina, Spain

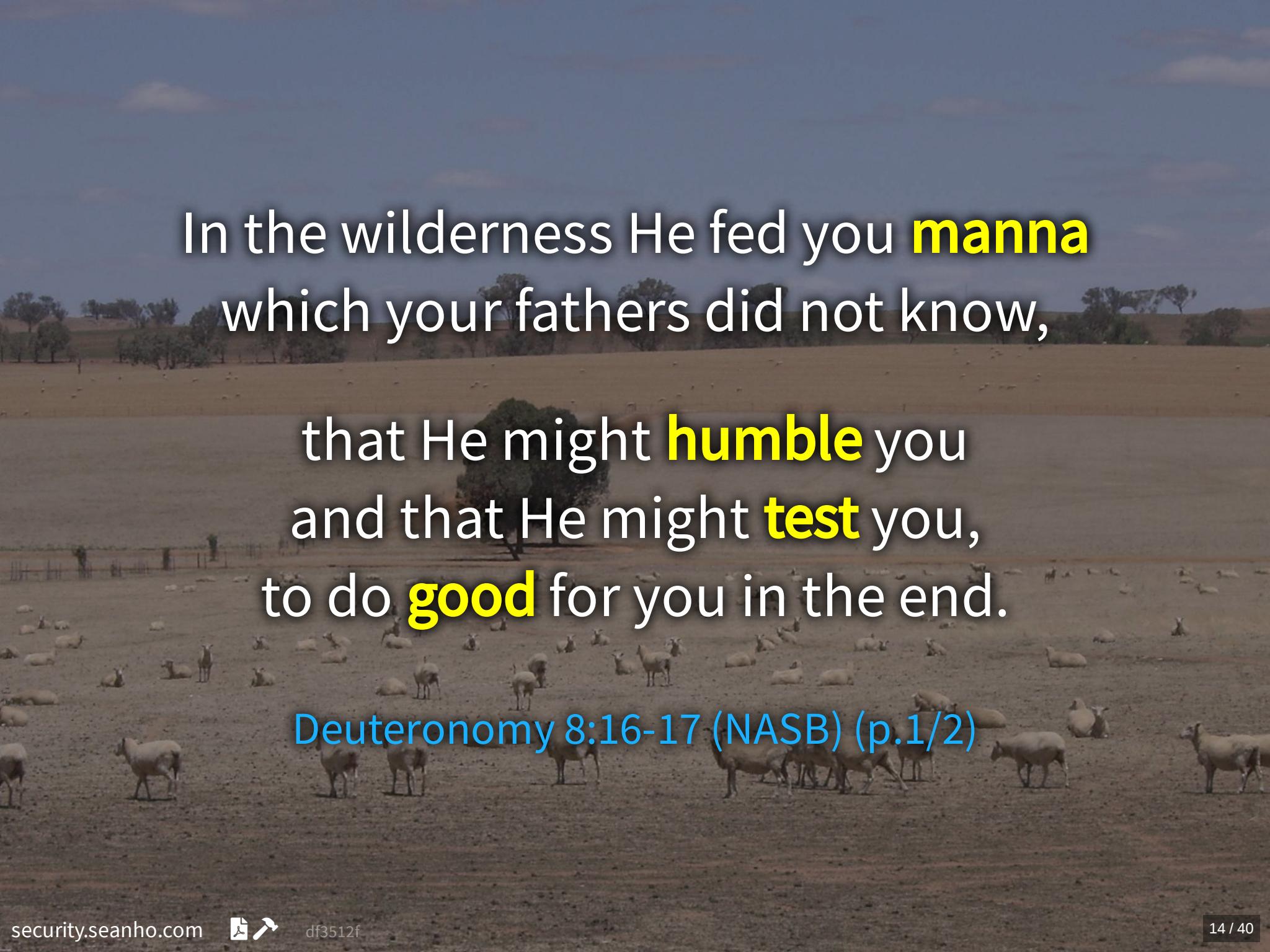


Consider the **ravens**:
they neither sow nor reap,
they have neither **storehouse** nor barn,
and yet God **feeds** them.

Of how much more **value** are you
than the birds!

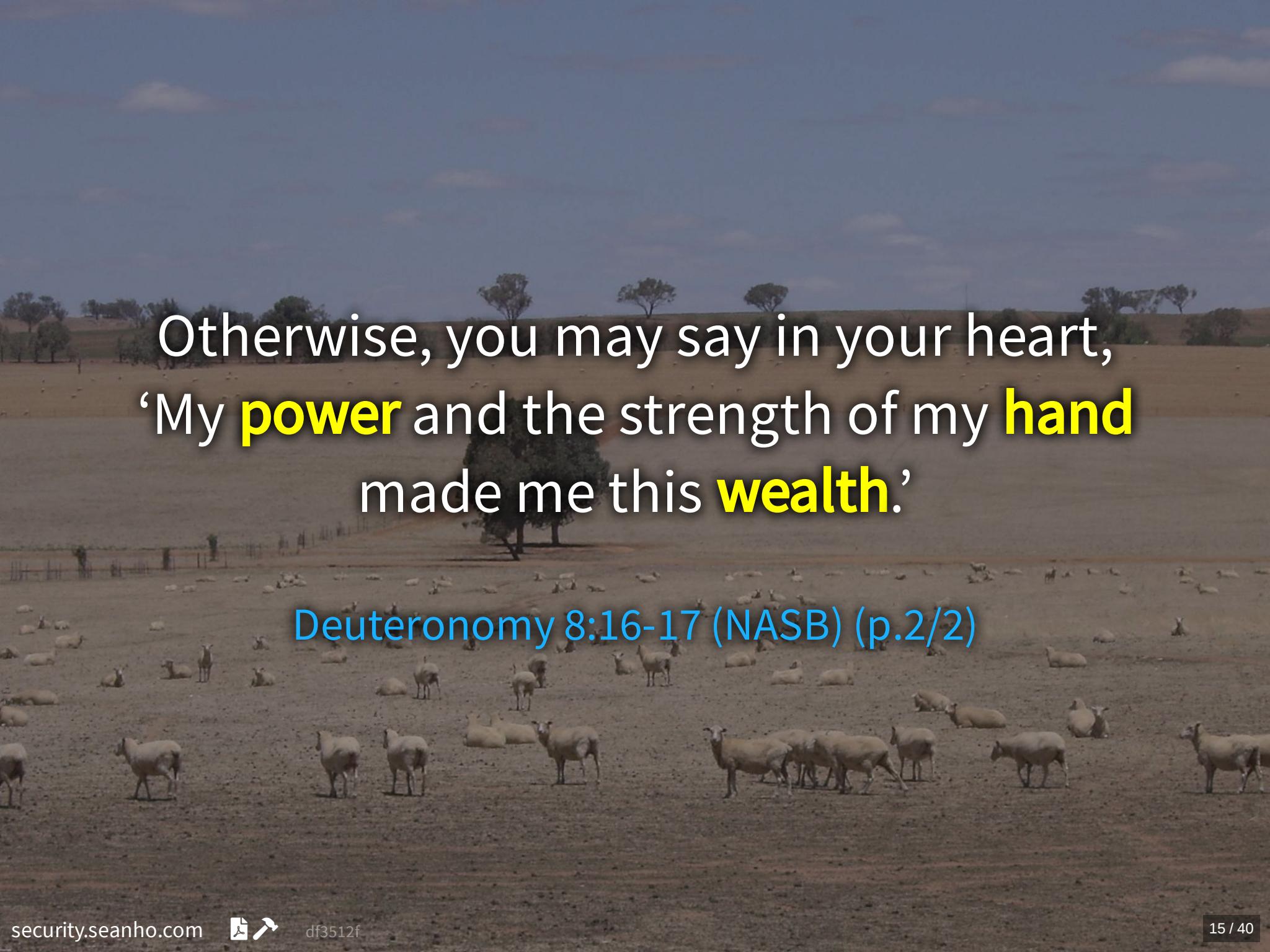
Luke 12:24 (ESV)

Lancaster County, PA. Barth Bailey

A wide-angle photograph of a dry, brown landscape, likely a plain or steppe. In the foreground, numerous sheep are scattered across the ground, some standing and some lying down. A few small, dark trees stand in the middle ground. The background is a vast, flat horizon under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds.

In the wilderness He fed you **manna**
which your fathers did not know,
that He might **humble** you
and that He might **test** you,
to do **good** for you in the end.

Deuteronomy 8:16-17 (NASB) (p.1/2)



Otherwise, you may say in your heart,
‘My **power** and the strength of my **hand**
made me this **wealth.**’

Deuteronomy 8:16-17 (NASB) (p.2/2)

What do I
worry about?
What gives me
security?

Luke 12:22-34

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And which of you by being **anxious**
can add a single **hour** to his span of life?

26 If then you are not able to do
as **small** a thing as that,
why are you anxious about the **rest**?

Luke 12:25-26 (ESV)

Melitopol, Ukraine. Rodion Kutsaev



Consider the **lilies**, how they grow:

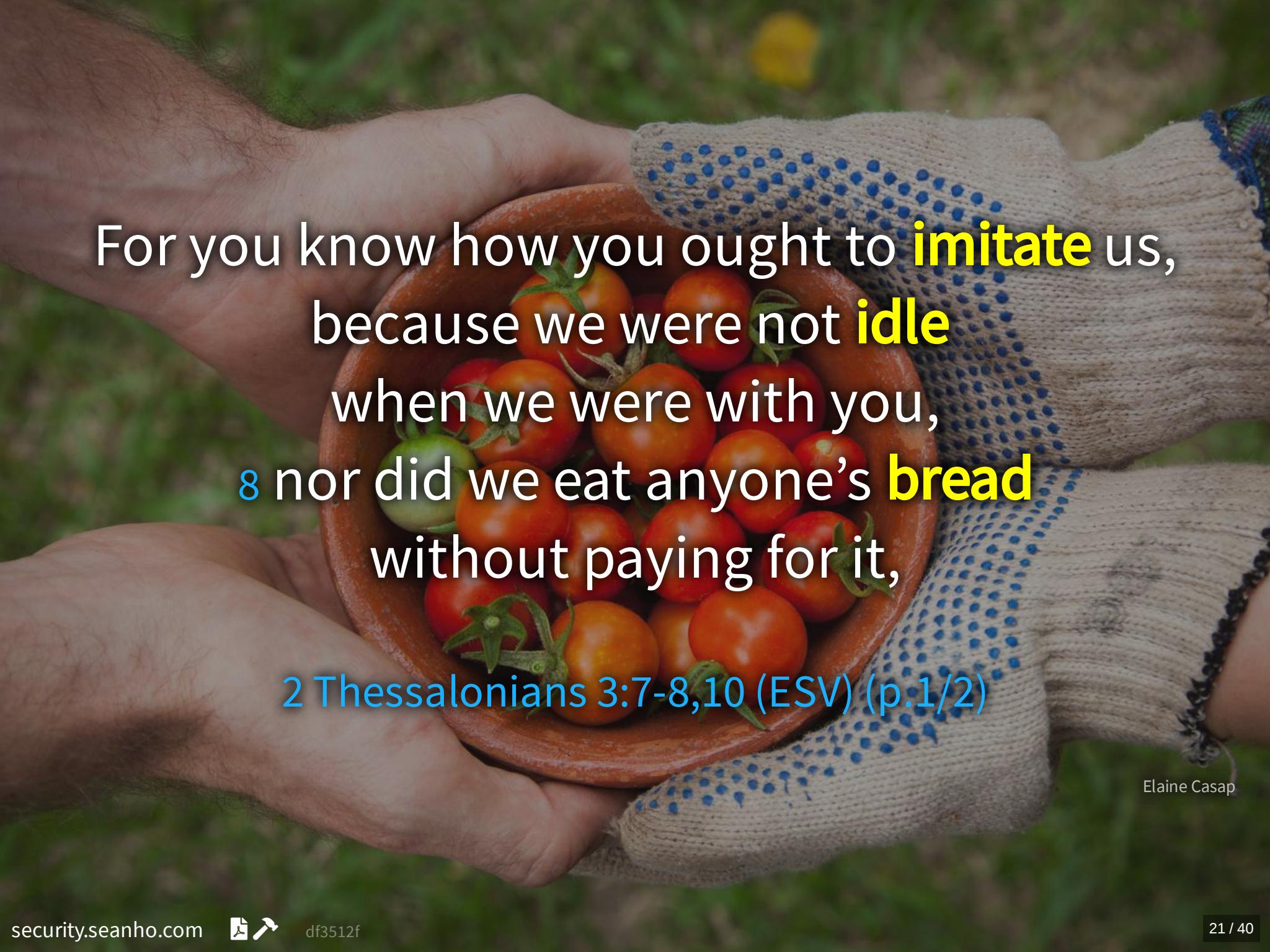
Luke 12:27 (ESV) (p.1/2)

Paweł Czerwiński



they neither **toil** nor spin, yet I tell you,
even **Solomon** in all his glory
was not arrayed like one of these.

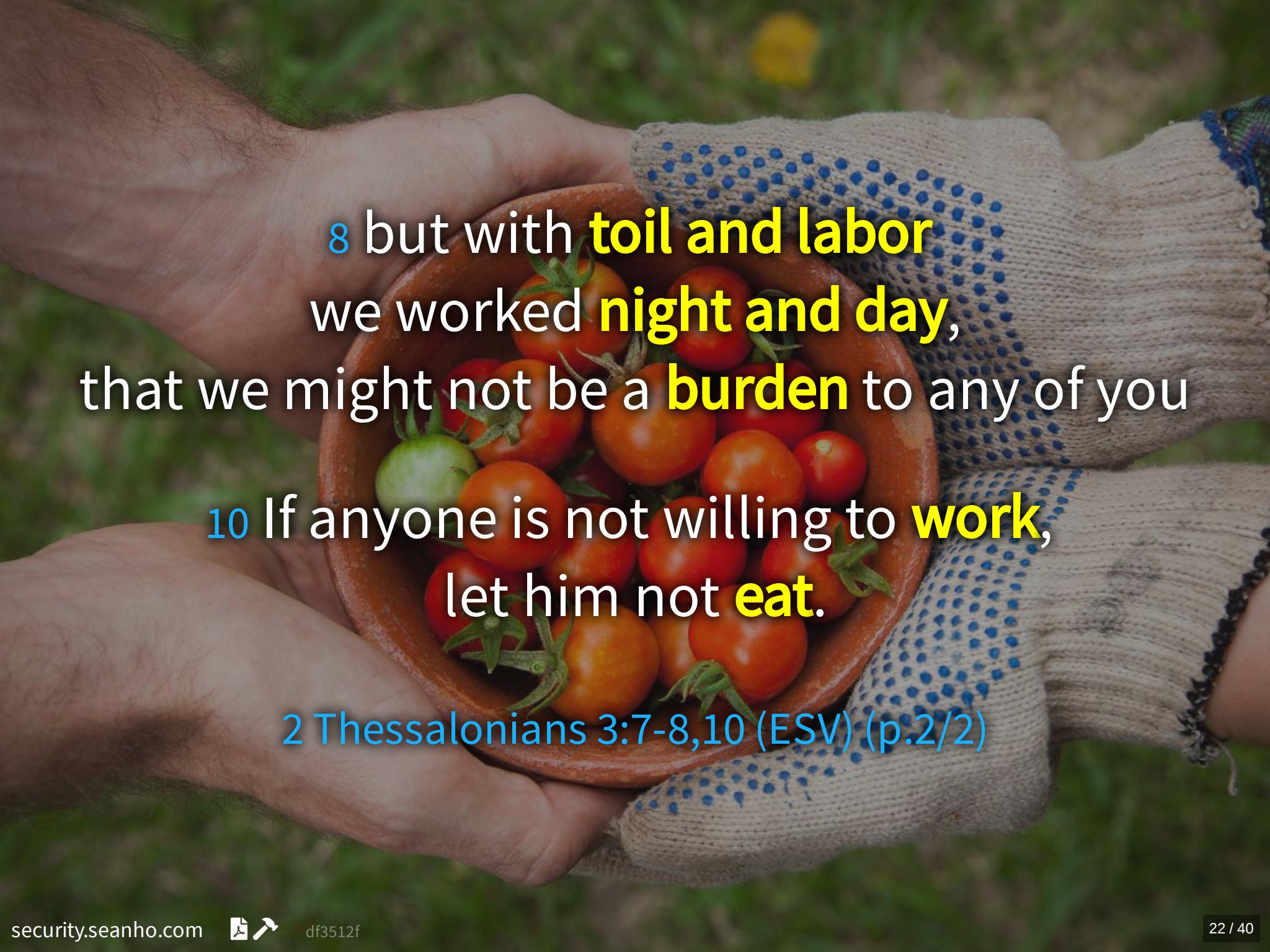
Luke 12:27 (ESV) (p.2/2)



For you know how you ought to **imitate** us,
because we were not **idle**
when we were with you,
8 nor did we eat anyone's **bread**
without paying for it,

2 Thessalonians 3:7-8,10 (ESV) (p.1/2)

Elaine Casap



8 but with **toil and labor**
we worked **night and day**,
that we might not be a **burden** to any of you

10 If anyone is not willing to **work**,
let him not **eat**.

2 Thessalonians 3:7-8,10 (ESV) (p.2/2)

Are not five **sparrows** sold for two pennies?
And not one of them is **forgotten** before God.

7 Why, even the **hairs** of your head
are all **numbered**.

Fear not;
you are of more **value** than many sparrows.

Luke 12:6-7 (ESV)



But if God so clothes the **grass**,
which is alive in the **field** today,
and tomorrow is thrown into the **oven**,

how much more will he **clothe** you,
O you of little **faith**!

Luke 12:28 (ESV)

Geran de Klerk, Gävle, Sweden

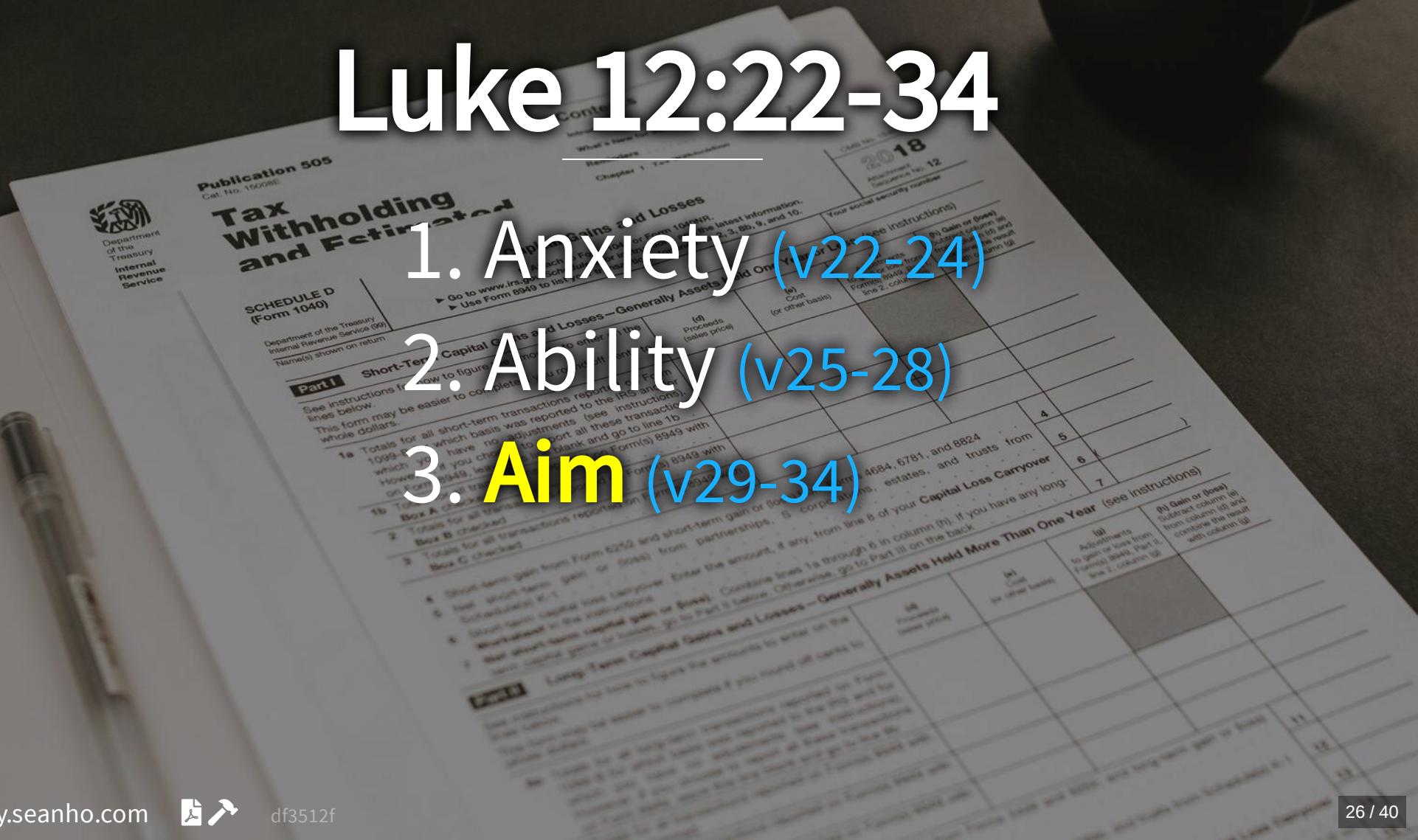
Do I **trust** in
my own **ability**
to provide?

Luke 12:22-34

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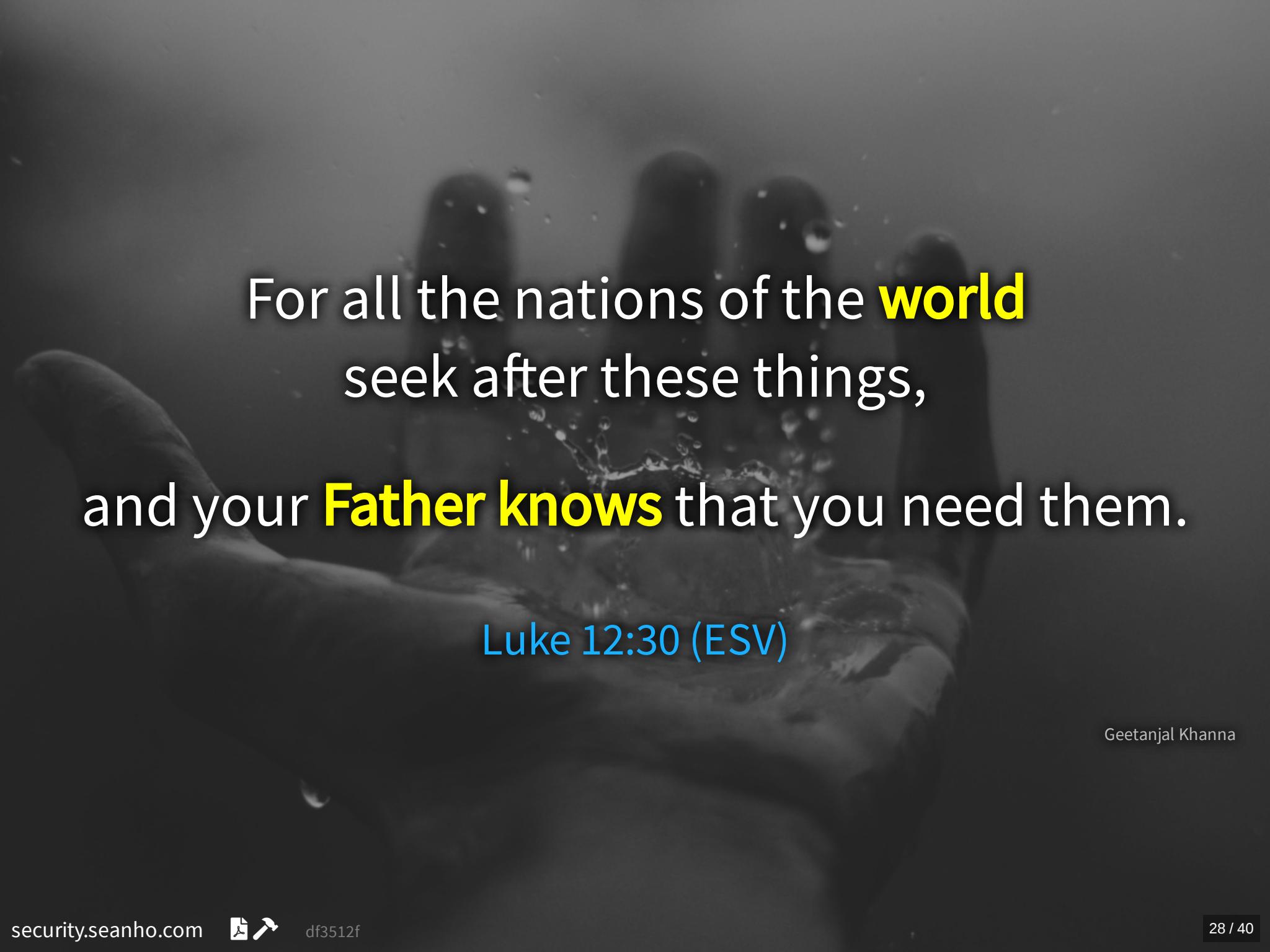
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And do not **seek** what you are to eat
and what you are to drink, nor be **worried**.

Luke 12:29 (ESV)

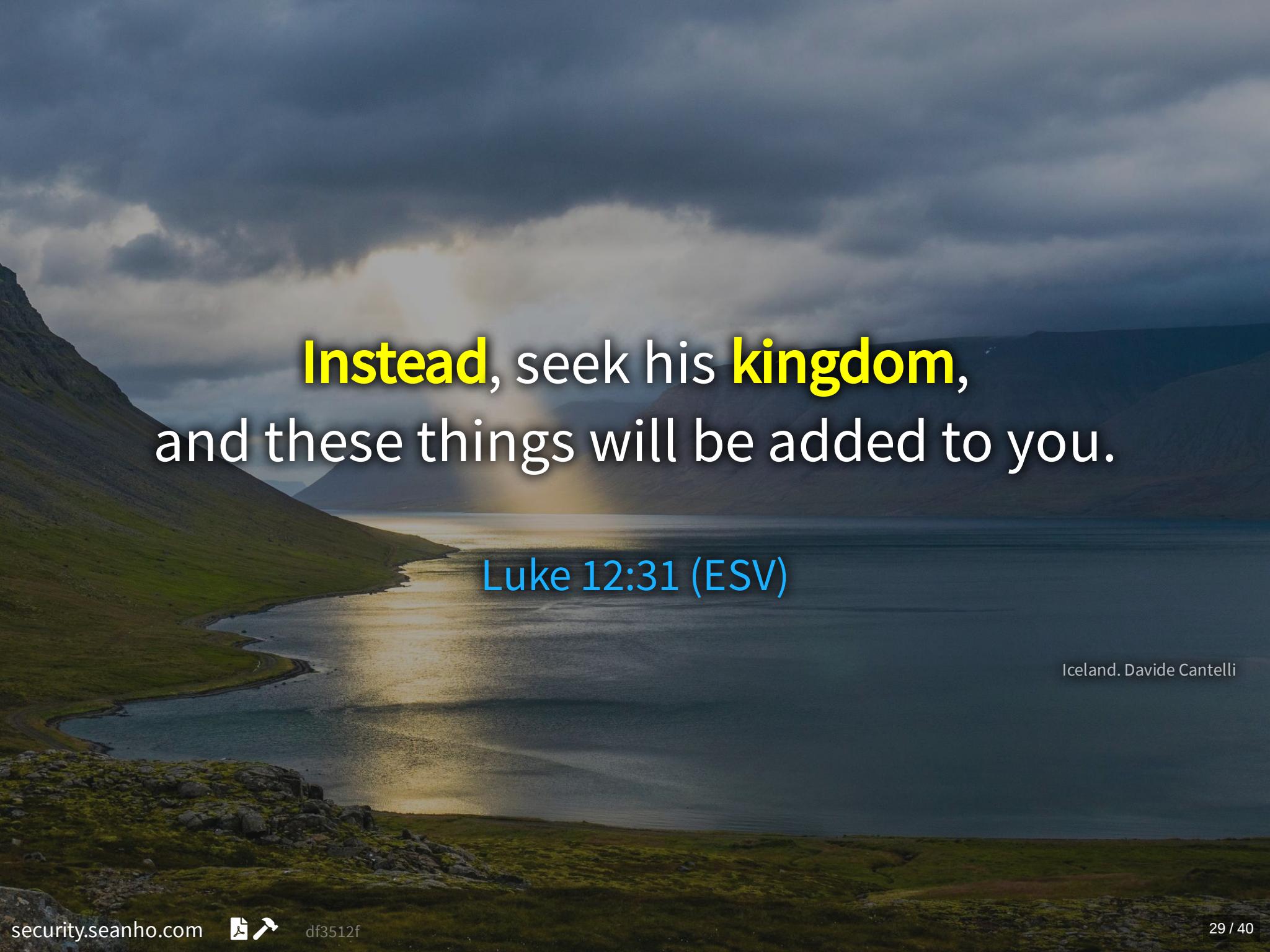
Alex Jones



For all the nations of the **world**
seek after these things,
and your **Father knows** that you need them.

Luke 12:30 (ESV)

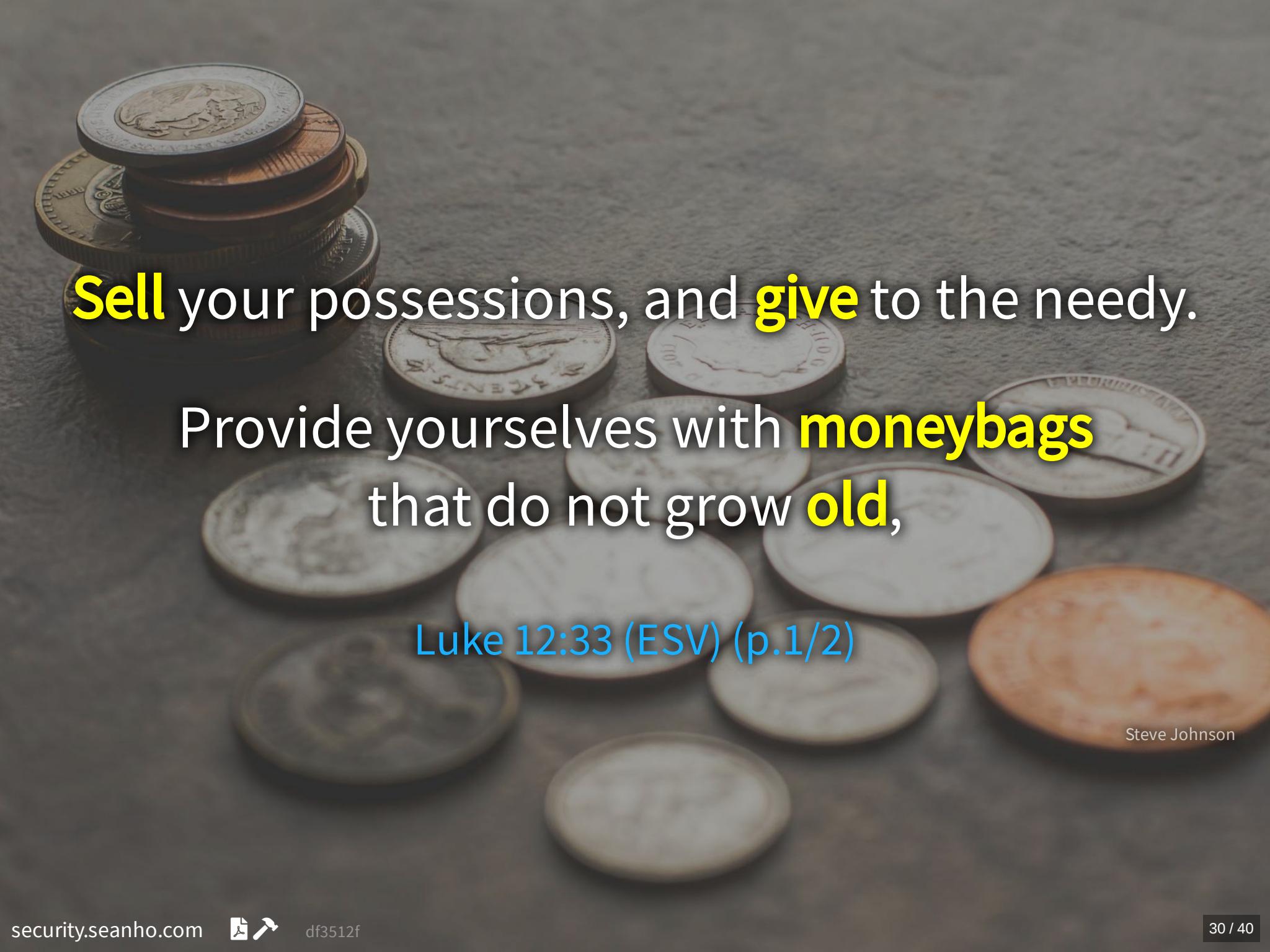
Geetanjali Khanna

A wide-angle photograph of a coastal landscape. In the foreground, a dark, rocky shoreline slopes down to a winding road that follows the edge of a deep blue fjord. The water reflects the light from a bright, partially obscured sun in the upper left, creating a warm glow. The background features dark, rugged mountains under a sky filled with heavy, textured clouds.

Instead, seek his **kingdom**,
and these things will be added to you.

Luke 12:31 (ESV)

Iceland. Davide Cantelli

A close-up photograph of a pile of coins of various denominations and materials, including gold and silver, scattered on a dark, textured surface.

Sell your possessions, and **give** to the needy.

Provide yourselves with **moneybags**
that do not grow **old**,

Luke 12:33 (ESV) (p.1/2)

Steve Johnson

A photograph of several gold coins, including Canadian dollars and quarters, scattered on a dark, textured surface. Some coins are stacked in the upper left corner, while others are scattered across the frame.

with a **treasure** in the heavens
that does not **fail**,
where no **thief** approaches
and no **moth** destroys.

Luke 12:33 (ESV) (p.2/2)

Steve Johnson

Let the **lowly** brother boast in his **exaltation**,
10 and the **rich** in his **humiliation**,
because like a **flower** of the grass
he will **pass away**.

James 1:9-10 (ESV)

Dominik Martin



One thing you still **lack**.
Sell all that you have and distribute to the **poor**,
and you will have **treasure in heaven**;
and come, **follow me**

Luke 18:22 (ESV)

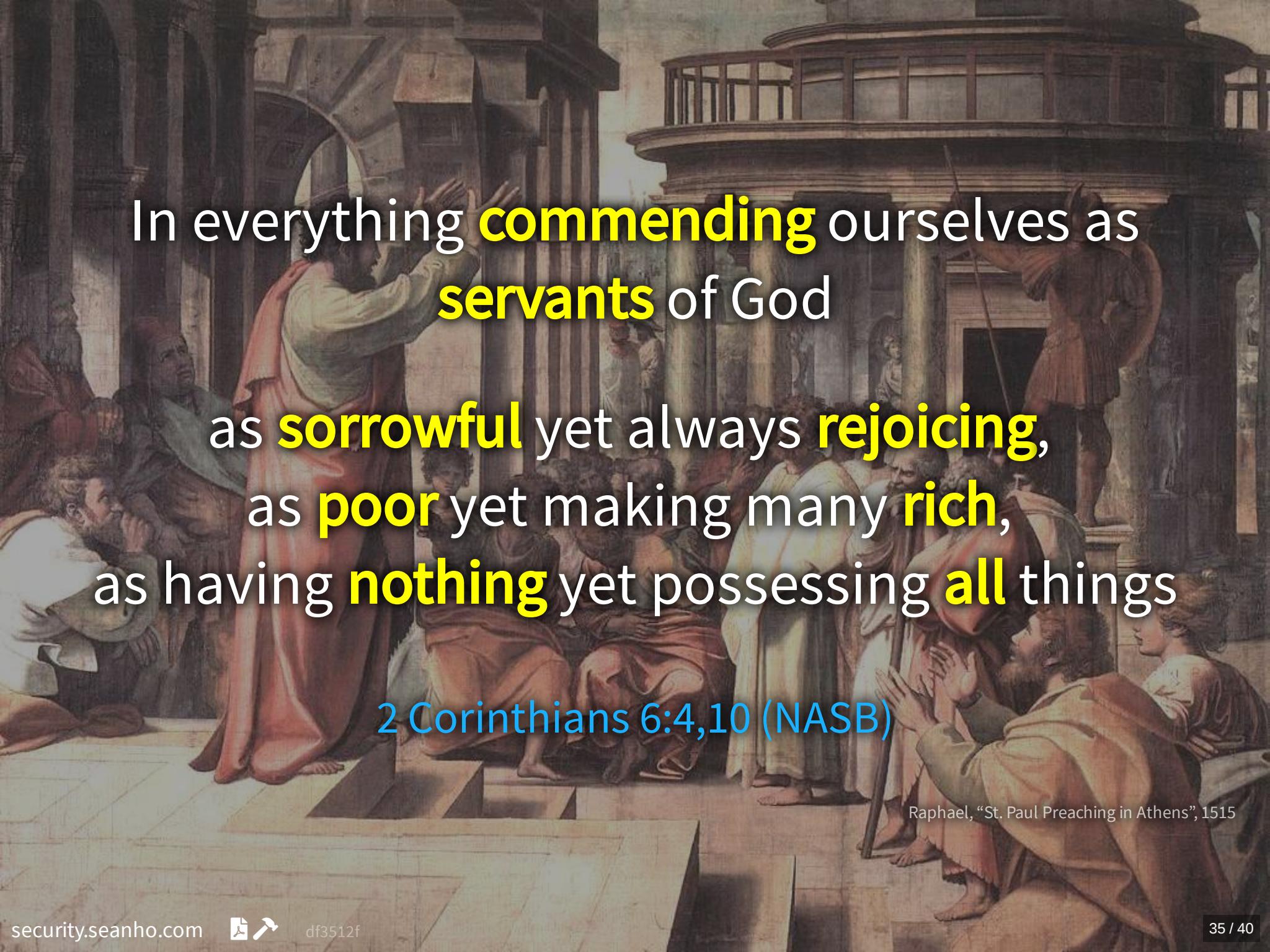
Nikolay Svischchev-Paola, "Beggar with a Lyra", 1900

A photograph of two white lambs standing in a green grassy field. One lamb is in the foreground, looking towards the camera, while the other is slightly behind it, facing away. The background is a soft-focus view of more green grass.

“**Fear** not, little **flock**,
for it is your **Father’s** good pleasure
to give you the **kingdom**.

Luke 12:32 (ESV)

Gemma Evans

A detailed oil painting by Raphael titled "St. Paul Preaching in Athens". It depicts the apostle Paul standing on a balcony-like structure, gesturing with his hands as he speaks to a large crowd of people gathered below. The scene is set in a classical Greek or Roman city with tall columns and architectural details. The figures are dressed in period-appropriate robes and tunics.

In everything **commending** ourselves as
servants of God
as **sorrowful** yet always **rejoicing**,
as **poor** yet making many **rich**,
as having **nothing** yet possessing **all** things

2 Corinthians 6:4,10 (NASB)

Raphael, "St. Paul Preaching in Athens", 1515

A photograph of a beach at sunset. In the foreground, there is a pile of small, smooth pebbles of various colors like grey, brown, and white. On top of this pile, five larger, smooth stones are balanced in a spiral-like arrangement. The background shows the ocean waves under a hazy, warm sky.

For where your **treasure** is,
there will your **heart** be also.

Luke 12:34 (ESV)

Anas Belmadani

**Where is my
treasure?**

**What is precious
to me?**

Sell your possessions, and **give** to the needy.

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Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax

SCHEDULE D
(Form 1040)

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Contents

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CMS No. 1545-0014

Attachment

Sequence No. 12

2018

Year

Your social security number

Capital Gains and Losses

- Attach to Form 1040 or Form 1040NR.
- Go to www.irs.gov/Schedule for instructions and the latest information.
- Use Form 8949 to list your transactions for lines 1b, 2, 3, 8b, 9, and 10.

Part I Short-Term Capital Gains and Losses—Generally Assets Held One Year or Less (see Instructions)

See instructions for how to figure the amounts to enter on the lines below.

This form may be easier to complete if you round off cents to whole dollars.

- 1a Totals for all short-term transactions reported on Form 1099-B for which basis was reported to the IRS and for which you have no adjustments (see instructions). However, if you choose to report all these transactions on Form 8949, leave this line blank and go to line 1b.
- 1b Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box A checked.
- 2 Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box B checked.
- 3 Totals for all transactions reported on Form(s) 8949 with Box C checked.

- 4 Short-term gain from Form 6252 and short-term gain or loss from partnerships, S corporations, estates, and trusts from Schedule K-1.
- 5 Net short-term gain or (loss) from partnerships, S corporations, estates, and trusts from Schedule K-1.
- 6 Short-term capital loss carryover. Enter the amount, if any, from line 8 of your **Capital Loss Carryover Worksheet** in the instructions.
- 7 Net short-term capital gains or (losses). Combine lines 1a through 6 in column (h). If you have any long-term capital gains or losses, go to Part II below. Otherwise, go to Part III on the back.

Part II Long-Term Capital Gains and Losses—Generally Assets Held More Than One Year (see Instructions)

See instructions for how to figure the amounts to enter on the lines below.

- 1a Totals for all long-term transactions reported on Form 1099-B for which basis was reported to the IRS and for which you have no adjustments (see instructions).
- 1b Totals for all long-term assets held more than one year, including all capital gains and losses from Form 1040, Schedule D, and Form 4797, and all other long-term assets held more than one year, including all capital gains and losses from Form 1040, Schedule D, and Form 4797.

(b) Gain or (loss)
Subtract column (d) from column (c) and combine the result with column (g).

(d) Adjustments
to gain or loss from Form(s) 8949, Part II, line 2, column (g).

(e) Cost
(or other basis)

(f) Proceeds
(sales price)

(g) Gain or (loss)
Subtract column (f) from column (e) and combine the result with column (d).

(h) Gain or (loss)
Subtract column (g) from column (f) and combine the result with column (e).

(i) Adjustments
to gain or loss from Form(s) 8949, Part II, line 2, column (g).

(j) Cost
(or other basis)

(k) Proceeds
(sales price)

(l) Gain or (loss)
Subtract column (k) from column (j) and combine the result with column (i).

(m) Adjustments
to gain or loss from Form(s) 8949, Part II, line 2, column (k).

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