

*“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16)*

## CONCLUSION

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*“For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: <sup>27</sup> But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; <sup>28</sup> And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: <sup>29</sup> That no flesh should glory in his presence. <sup>30</sup> But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: <sup>31</sup> That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.” (1Corinthians 1:26–31)*



# GROWTH POINT

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## Title: Incredible Wisdom from Insignificant Creatures

*“There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are exceeding wise: <sup>25</sup> The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer; <sup>26</sup> The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks; <sup>27</sup> The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands; <sup>28</sup> The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings’ palaces.” (Proverbs 30:24–28)*

## INTRODUCTION

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*“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.” (Proverbs 4:7)*

## 1. The \_\_\_\_\_ Ants

### A. Ants Take \_\_\_\_\_

*“Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: <sup>7</sup> Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, <sup>8</sup> Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.” (Proverbs 6:6–8)*

*“So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.” (Psalm 90:12)*

*“Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.” (Ephesians 5:16)*

### B. Ants Take \_\_\_\_\_

*“How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? <sup>10</sup> Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: <sup>11</sup> So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.” (Proverbs 6:9–10)*



*“For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.” (2 Thessalonians 3:10)*

**Quote:** “Only one life, twill soon be past—only what’s done for Christ will last.—**C.T. Studd**

*“Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.” (Ecclesiastes 9:10)*

## 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Conies

### A. Conies Have No Confidence in \_\_\_\_\_

*“The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks for the conies.” (Psalm 104:18)*

*“For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. <sup>4</sup> Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:” (Philippians 3:3–4)*

### B. Conies Seek Shelter in the \_\_\_\_\_

*“Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?” (Matthew 6:26)*

*“Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer. <sup>2</sup> From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I. <sup>3</sup> For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy. <sup>4</sup> I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah. <sup>5</sup> For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given me the heritage of those that fear thy name.” (Psalm 61:1–5)*

*“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:” (1 Peter 5:8)*

## 3. The \_\_\_\_\_ Locusts

### A. Locusts Are \_\_\_\_\_

*“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” (Psalm 133:1)*

*“Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;” (Philippians 1:27)*

*“Only by pride cometh contention: But with the well advised is wisdom.” (Proverbs 13:10)*

### B. Locusts Are \_\_\_\_\_

*“For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.” (Psalm 47:7)*

*“Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup> But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. <sup>15</sup> This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. <sup>16</sup> For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. <sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup> And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.” (James 3:13–18)*

*“My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.” (Proverbs 1:10)*

## 4. The \_\_\_\_\_ Spider

### A. Spiders Take Hold with Their \_\_\_\_\_

*“Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her; for she is thy life.” (Proverbs 4:13)*

*“Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.” (Proverbs 23:23)*

*“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.” (Ecclesiastes 12:13)*

### B. Spiders Are in King’s \_\_\_\_\_

*“A man’s gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.” (Proverbs 18:16)*

*“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.” (Ephesians 2:10)*