

# Apt to Hang and Rest Upon Creature Props

by Thomas Brooks

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*God strips away our creature props to promote dependence on Himself and reveal His sufficiency.*

**Scripture:** Psalm 142:4

**Topics:** "Dependence On God", "Trust in Divine Providence"

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## Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes that God sometimes removes our earthly comforts to draw us into a deeper reliance on Him. He illustrates this through the psalmist's experience of feeling abandoned and turning to God as his only refuge. When all human supports fail, believers are led to fully trust in God, recognizing that true sustenance comes from Him alone. This process of stripping away is ultimately for our spiritual benefit, leading us to declare that all our fountains are found in God.

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## Transcript

("A Believer's Last Day, His Best Day")

God sometimes strips His people of their dearest mercies, that He may win them to a more complete and full dependence upon His blessed self. Man is a creature apt to hang and rest upon creature props. "Look to my right and see;" says the psalmist, "no one is concerned for me. I have no refuge; no one cares for my life." Psalm 142:4. Well, what does he do, now that all props fail him? Why, now he sweetly leans upon God--"I cry to You, O Lord; I say--You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living." verse 5. Men will hold upon one prop, and if God cuts off that--then they will catch hold on another, etc., until God cuts off all their props--and then they will come and rest and center

in God, and say, "All my fountains are in You!" Psalm 87:7

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