

⁷ Two things I ask of you;
deny them not to me before I die:
⁸ Remove far from me falsehood and lying;
give me neither poverty nor riches;
feed me with the food that is needful for me,
⁹ lest I be full and deny you
and say, “Who is the LORD?”
or lest I be poor and steal
and profane the name of my God.

Proverbs 30:7-9

Matthew 6:19-33



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“...Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin,”



²⁴ Four things on earth are small,
but they are exceedingly wise:
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²⁶ the rock badgers are a people
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yet they make their homes in the
cliffs;



²⁷ the locusts have no king,
yet all of them march in rank;
²⁸ the lizard you can take in your
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yet it is in kings' palaces.



Proverbs 30:24-28

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⁶ Go to the ant, O sluggard;
consider her ways, and be wise.

⁷ Without having any chief,
officer, or ruler,

⁸ she prepares her bread in summer
and gathers her food in harvest.

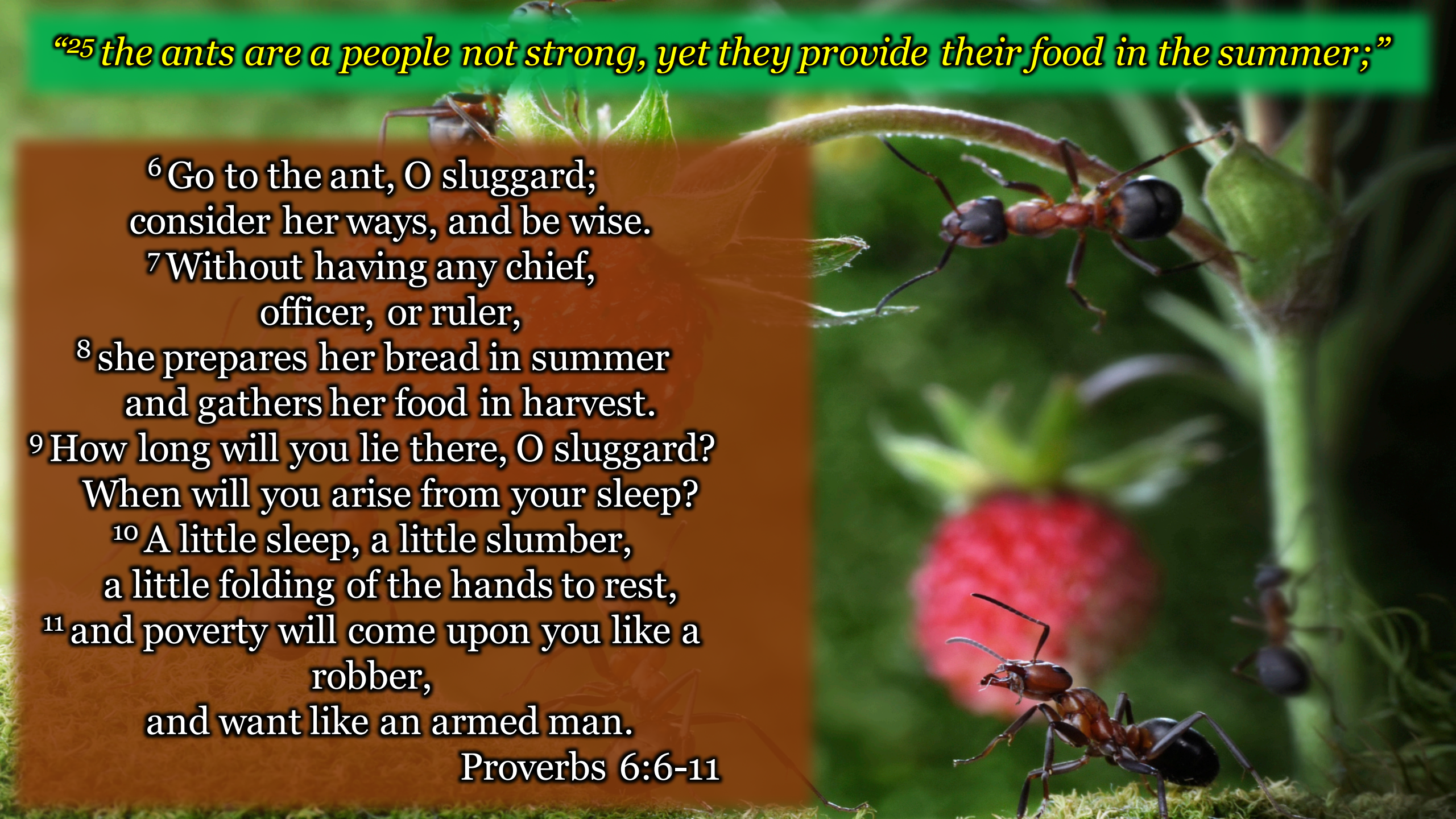
⁹ How long will you lie there, O sluggard?
When will you arise from your sleep?

¹⁰ A little sleep, a little slumber,
a little folding of the hands to rest,

¹¹ and poverty will come upon you like a
robber,

and want like an armed man.

Proverbs 6:6-11



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¹⁰ With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!

¹¹ I have stored up your word in my heart,
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¹³ With my lips I declare
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¹⁰ For Ezra had set his
heart to study the Law of
the LORD, and to do it and
to teach his statutes and
rules in Israel.

Ezra 7:10

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¹The man declares, I am weary, O God;
I am weary, O God, and worn out.

²Surely I am too stupid to be a man.
I have not the understanding of a man.

³I have not learned wisdom,
nor have I knowledge of the Holy One.

⁴Who has ascended to heaven and come down?
Who has gathered the wind in his fists?

Who has wrapped up the waters in a garment?

Who has established all the ends of the earth?

What is his name, and what is his son's name?

Surely you know!

⁵Every word of God proves true;
he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

⁶Do not add to his words,
lest he rebuke you and you be found a liar.

Proverbs 30:1-6



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²The LORD is my rock and my fortress
and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take
refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my
salvation, my stronghold.

Psalm 18:2

“²⁷ the locusts have no king, yet all of them march in rank;”



A large swarm of locusts is shown flying over a field. The locusts are densely packed in the sky and on the ground, which is covered with a layer of dead locusts. The background shows a blue sky with some clouds and a building in the distance.

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I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to walk in a manner
worthy of the calling to which you
have been called, ² with all humility
and gentleness, with patience,
bearing with one another in love,
³ eager to maintain the unity of the
Spirit in the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:1-3

“28 the lizard you can take in your hands, yet it is in kings' palaces.”




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¹⁰You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. ¹²Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

“²⁸ the lizard you can take in your hands, yet it is in kings' palaces.”

A vibrant lizard with blue, green, and yellow scales is perched on a reddish-brown rock. The lizard is facing left, looking upwards. The background is a soft, out-of-focus orange-brown color.

“Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.”

James 1:12