

***False Supports***  
**Ezekiel 29:1-21**

Main Point:

Avoid relying on false supports and put your confidence only in the LORD.

1. Avoid relying on false supports because it is dishonoring to the LORD.

2. Avoid relying on false supports because they will harm you personally.

3. Avoid relying on false supports because God will remove them from you.

4. Avoid relying on false supports and put your confidence only in the LORD.

**Ezekiel 17:13-15** 13 And he took the king's offspring, made a covenant with him, and put him under oath ... 14 that the kingdom might be brought low and not lift itself up, *but* that by keeping his covenant it might stand. 15 But he rebelled against him by sending his ambassadors to Egypt, that they might give him horses and many people. (NKJV)

**Iain Duguid** "The way of obedience was always hard, while the way of Egypt always seemed easy."

**Isaiah 30:1-2** 1 "Woe to the rebellious children," says the LORD ... 2 Who walk to go down to Egypt, And have not asked My advice, To strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, And to trust in the shadow of Egypt! (NKJV)

**Iain Duguid** "Our thinking is often ... clouded. We feel the pain of the blister points of life and are tempted to find relief in whatever form it may be offered. Yet all too often that 'relief' involves a compromise with the world."

**Matthew Henry** "They pretended to be a staff for them to lean upon, but, when any stress was laid upon them, they were either weak and could not or treacherous and would not do that for them which was expected."

**Ezekiel 17:17** 17 Nor will Pharaoh with *his* mighty army and great company do anything in the war, when they heap up a siege mound and build a wall to cut off many persons. (NKJV)

**Luke 17:1-2** 1 Then He said to the disciples, "It is impossible that no offenses should come, but woe *to him* through whom they do come! 2 It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones. (NKJV)

**Derek Thomas** "God will have his people look to no one else but himself for help. He is jealous to guard his right to be his people's sovereign Protector."