

The image features two circular frames on the left side. The top frame shows a close-up of a baby's face, focusing on the mouth area where a pink pacifier is inserted. The bottom frame shows a red plastic bowl filled with yellowish cereal, with a blue plastic spoon resting in it. Both frames have a thick black border.

WHEN SPIRITUAL TEETH ARE FEW! (NO GRIT)

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TEXT: Ecclesiastes 12:1 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while **the evil days** come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

3 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and **the grinders cease because they are few**, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

"Eating Grapes May Protect Your Skin From UV Damage...New study finds grapes increased resistance to sunburn and reduced markers of UV damage."

(Feb. 9, 2021, see, Journal of the American Academy of Dermatology)

FEW WORKERS,
LABORERS:

Judges 16:21 But the Philistines took him...and he did **grind** in the prison house.

Lamentations 5:13 They took the young men to **grind**...

Isaiah 47:2 Take the millstones, and **grind meal**: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh...

Luke 10:2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but **the labourers are few**: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

Ezekiel 22:30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

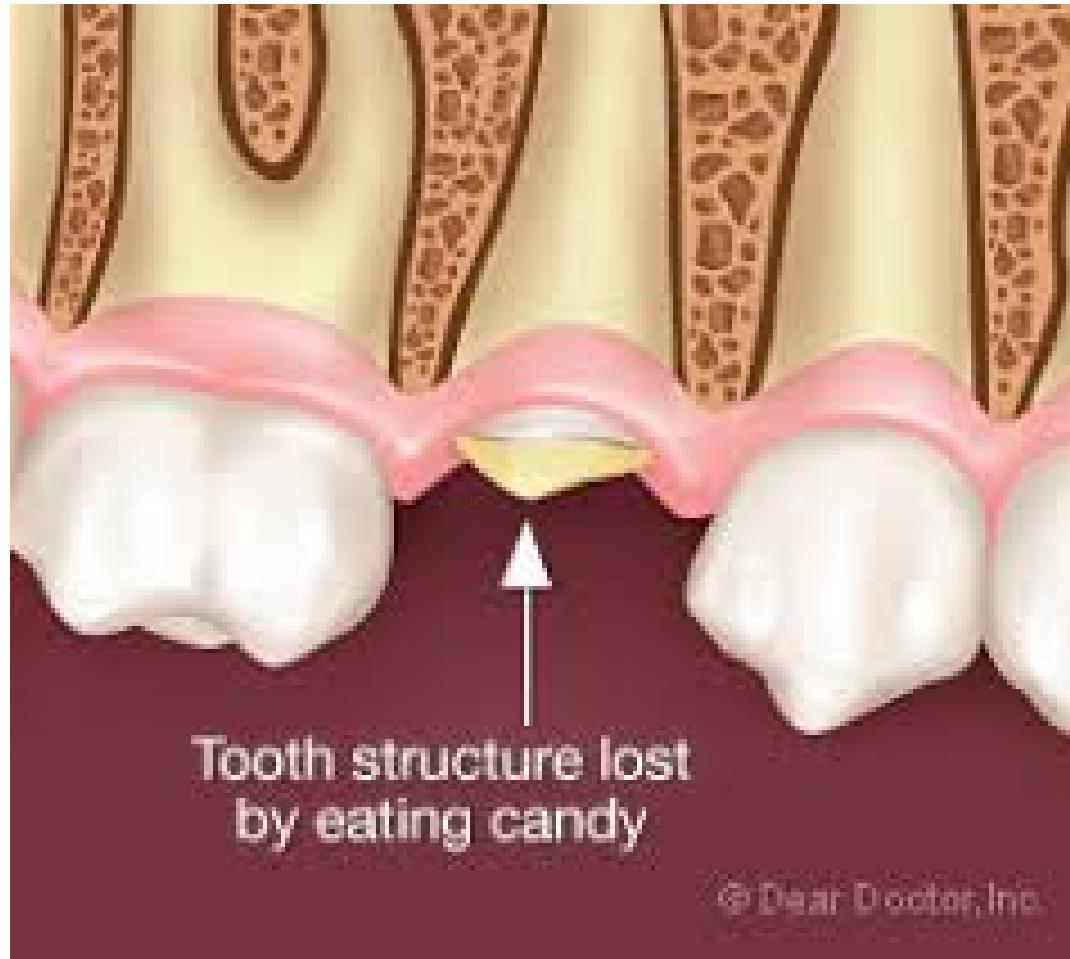
1 Timothy 5:17 Let the elders that rule well
be counted worthy of double honour,
especially they who **labour in the word and**
doctrine.

18 For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not
muzzle the **ox that treadeth out the corn.** And,
The **labourer** is worthy of his reward.



FEW FAITHFUL MEN

Proverbs 25:19 Confidence
in an unfaithful man in
time of trouble is like a
broken tooth...



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2 Timothy 3:4 **Traitors**, heady,
highminded, lovers of
pleasures more than lovers of
God;

Malachi 1:10 Who is there even among you that would shut the doors for nought? neither do ye kindle fire on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, saith the LORD of hosts,

FEW THAT ARE WASHED

Song of Solomon 4:2 Thy teeth
are like a flock of sheep that
are even shorn, which came
up from **the washing...**

2 Peter 2:22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow **that was washed** to her wallowing in the mire.



2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us **cleanse ourselves from all filthiness** of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

FEW THAT BEAR
SPIRITUAL FRUIT

Song of Solomon 4:2 Thy teeth
are like a flock of sheep that are
even shorn, which came up
from the washing; **whereof**
every one bear twins...

Matthew 13:22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he **becometh unfruitful**.

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also **beareth fruit**, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

FEW THAT WILL
CONFORM BIBLICALLY

2 Thessalonians 2:15

Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and **hold the traditions which ye have been taught,** whether by word, or our epistle.

FEW LEADERS,
SENDERS

Proverbs 10:26 As vinegar
to the teeth, and as smoke
to the eyes, so is the
sluggard to them that send
him

Revelation 22:17...And
let him that heareth say,
Come...

A GENERAL
SLACKNESS WILL
PREVAIL

GRIND:

"...the word was used as a verb,
meaning to work hard...Great
Britain..."

(*American English*, 1921)

GRIT ONE'S TEETH:

"...to show courage and determination when dealing with problems or challenges. 'Starting your own business can be very tough, but you just have to grit your teeth and keep working at it.'"

(Definition of Grit One's Teeth by Merriam-Webster)

"...perplexities keep pressin' - 'Till all hope is nearly gone, - **Jus' bustle up and grit your teeth**, - An' keep on keepin' on. - Fumin' never wins a fight, - And frettin' never pays, - There ain't no good in broodin' in - These pessimistic ways, - Smile just kinder cheerfully, - When hope is nearly gone, - And bristle up and grit your teeth, -And keep on keepin' on. - There ain't no use in growlin', - And grumblin' all the time... - bristle up and grit your teeth, - And keep on keepin' on..." (early 19th century hymn)

"It takes all the courage and backbone
and moral muscle and **sanctified grit** that
God ever put into a man to live a full
rounded, consistent Christian
life...Resistance -courage - the fighting
element? Why, Christianity is full of it!"
*(Record of Christian Work, Volume 13,
1894; Zion's Herald)*

NO BITE!

Proverbs 30:14 There is a generation,
whose teeth are as swords, and their **jaw**
teeth as knives...

Psalms 37:12 The wicked plotteth against
the just, and **gnasheth upon him with his**
teeth.

EZEKIEL 1 - THE FACES OF CHERUBIMS:

1. Man
2. Lion
3. Ox
4. Eagle

EZEKIEL 10 - THE FACES OF CHERUBIMS:

1. Cherub (Ox)
2. Man
3. Lion
4. Eagle

REVELATION 4 - FACES OF FOUR BEASTS:

1. Lion
2. Calf
3. Man
4. Eagle

Revelation 13:2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

1. Like = Leopard
2. Feet = Bear
3. Mouth = Lion
4. Dragon = Power

NUMBERED FROM DANIEL:

1. Lion = Mouth
2. Bear = Feet
3. Leopard = Like
4. Dragon = Power

1. Mouth = Lion
2. Feet = Calf
3. Like = Man
4. Power = Eagle

Ezekiel 1:5 Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the **likeness of a man.**

7 And their feet were straight feet; and the **sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot...**

Isaiah 41:15 Behold, I will make
thee a new sharp threshing
instrument having teeth: thou shalt
thresh the mountains, and beat
them small, and shalt make the hills
as chaff.

Proverbs 28:1 The wicked flee
when no man pursueth: but
the righteous are bold as a
lion.

Isaiah 49:2 And he hath made **my mouth like a sharp sword...**

Micah 3:8 But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the **LORD**, and of judgment, and of might, to **declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.**

Acts 4:29 And now, Lord, behold
their threatenings: and grant unto
thy servants, that **with all boldness**
they may speak thy word,
31 And when they had prayed, the
place was shaken where they were
assembled together...

Micah 3:5 Thus saith the Lord
concerning the prophets that
make my people err, that **bite**
with their teeth, and cry,
Peace...

"Popular baby food brands like Gerber, Similac and Enfamil contain heavy metal toxins like arsenic, mercury and cadmium, according to a new study..." (Feb. 5, 2021)