



Title: No Worries!

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Scripture Text: Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon Series: Inside-Out

## SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We continue our look at Jesus' Sermon on the Mount as He instructs us concerning worry. What we'll learn from Him in today's text is that we need to not focus on the provision, but on the Provider! If we are living for Christ, we have assurance that He will take care of us. Where He *guides*, He *provides*. The question for us to answer is this: Are you living for the Lord or for your lifestyle? The answer determines whether you have cause to worry...

### I. Have Faith in Your Father (Matthew 6:25-32)

Jesus prohibits worry but that does not mean we are not responsible for our own and others' material needs. Nor does Jesus forbid us to work. His concern is with priorities and the essential message of this passage is 'First things first', which means 'God first'. The objects of our worry (food, drink, and clothing) are to be seen as less important than the life and the body which they supply, since God provides the latter, he can be trusted for the former. The bottom-line issue is mentioned in [vs. 30](#): faith. To have faith is to not worry. You can't worry and have faith!

- What are two things Jesus compares His listeners to and what is the example He uses of God's provision?
- What are examples of things we worry about today?
- What makes these things worth worrying over?
- How can worry be detrimental to us physically? Spiritually?
- What does it say about God when we worry? Is it more of a reflection of us or our perception of God and His ability?
- To whom does Jesus compare those who worry ([vs. 32](#))?
  - Who would be examples today?
- What does it say to our culture for them to see Christians worry, especially when we are worrying about similar things they worry about?
- Consider if you are a parent or maybe your own parents. Wouldn't you do all you could to provide for your children? Why would God do any less for His children? And He is much more capable than we are!
  - What can you do to trust God more and not worry?
  - How can you grow in your relationship with your Heavenly Father so you can trust Him more?

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### II. Focus on Your Father (Matthew 6:33)

Part of our problem when we worry is we are not putting first things first. We are to direct our attention consistently towards His kingdom and His righteousness. The primary emphasis is on submission to God's sovereignty, i.e., obedience to His will. Similarly, His righteousness refers to the kind of life which God requires. What this verse requires is a commitment to find and to do the will of God; to align ourselves with His purpose. This commitment must come first. It is not to be crowded out by our material concerns. We are assured that if we put God first, our material needs (*all these things*, echoing [vs. 32](#)) will be provided.

- What does it look like for someone to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness?
  - Do you know someone who is a good example of this? In what way?
- What are areas you can work on to put 'first things first'?

"Worry doesn't empty tomorrow of its sorrow. It empties today of its strength."  
Corrie ten Boom