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How to Overcome Daily Anxiety And Worry

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Anxiety and worry! Ugh! Makes you tired to think about it! I believe these are two of the things that cause a multitude of problems in the lives of Christians and ultimately the home life of the believer. For many people it leads to destruction. In the emails we receive at For The Love Of The Family, many people are distressed about their many “life issues.” Just living is hard! Relationships, children, marital, financial, job, and many other things as the list could go on and on! Life issues sometimes are perplexing and the wrong choices in a life issue can create more stress, worry, and anxiety for the person. Many people create their own life issues by not making Biblical choices. A number of people we talk with in our counseling program really struggle with their life choices. Ultimately, life is a choice! It all comes down to the way I determine my choices.

The Bible tells us to live by faith. But honestly, how many believers do that? Serious question. What is faith anyway? Romans 1:17 says, *For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.* Alright, so we are commanded to live by faith. Notice it says faith to faith meaning today when this issue comes up and tomorrow when this issue comes up **I will trust God.** The definition of living by faith is to trust God with each instance. I must learn to turn my life issues over to God as they happen. I call this the point of spiritual impact. Immediately when whatever it is happens we should (must) Mentally and verbally turn the issue over to God. The Bible is our guide book. It tells us what faith is and how to exercise it. Romans 10:17 says, *So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

In our counseling program most of the people who are having severe life issues, do not know what faith is and how they are to exercise it because they have little or no relationship with God through His Word. If you do not understand what I just said, I would encourage you to look at our website for our booklet, *How To Have A Real Relationship With God.*
<http://www.fortheloveofthefamily.com/?file=kop7.php> This booklet will explain in detail how to go about having a real relationship with God.

So, how do I overcome daily anxiety and worry? **Remember everything in life is a choice** even faith and when I exercise it. I have to make Jesus Christ real in my life daily at the point of impact. Anxiety and worry are also choices each of us makes on a daily basis.

I recently read in the *The Fundamentalist Digest* edited by Dr. Don Jasmin, some interesting thoughts on this subject. He stated the source of those thoughts were unknown.

In Dealing With Daily Anxiety And Worry My Biblical Choice Through Faith in God's Word is:

1. I choose to rejoice today in God. God made this day for me to enjoy Him. Psalm 118:24, *This is the day which the Lord hat made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.* Psalm 37:4, *Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.* Folks, there is a distinct difference between divine enjoyment and human happiness!

2. God made my body, mind, and will to serve Him. I choose to present them back to Him today in living sacrificial service. Romans 12:1-2, *I beseech you therefore, brethren by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.* Philipians 1:21, *For to me to live is Christ and to die is gain.*

3. I choose this day to do right; then God will establish my thoughts and guide my actions: John 7:17, *If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God or whether I speak of myself.* Proverbs 16:3, *Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.* Psalm 37:5, *Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.* Jeremiah 17:7, *Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord and whose hope the Lord is.*

4. I choose this day as I rejoice in God to cast all my burdens upon Him and He will sustain and strengthen me. Psalm 55:22: *Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee. He shall not suffer the righteous to be moved.* Nehemiah 8:10, *Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy unto the Lord; neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your strength.*

5. I choose to trust and serve God fully today, for He has promised to care for all my temporal needs: Matthew 6:25-34, *Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat and the body more than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not; neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them, Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin. And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore, take no thought saying, what shall we eat? Or what shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek;) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.*

6. As I choose with humble gratitude to commit my anxiety to God, He will uplift me with His peace and honor. Philippians 4:6-7, *Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplications with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your heart and minds through Christ Jesus.* I Peter 5:6-7, *Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.*

7. I choose to please God today by avoiding worldly covetousness and commitments. For He is ever present with me. Hebrews 13:5, *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have; for he hath said, I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.* II Timothy 2:4, *No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.*

8. I choose to be free from guilt today by seeking forgiveness and cleansing of my sins before God and others. I John 1:9, *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.* Luke 11:4, *And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive everyone that is indebted to us, And lead us not into temptation but deliver from evil.*

9. I choose regular restful sleep as a gift from a loving God: Psalm 127:2, *It is vain for you to rise*

up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows, for so he giveth his beloved sleep. Matthew 11:28-30, Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

So, there you have it. The Bible gives it to us very straightforwardly. Now here comes the hard part..... apply it at the point of spiritual impact! Make Jesus Christ real today in your life! You do not have to live in anxiety, worry and fear. Remember God loves you and wants your life to be bought under the control of the Holy Spirit, not tomorrow, but today, right now, at the point of spiritual impact!

“Account” (Part #4) (By: Craig Glickman)

This is the continuation of a long, yet informative study on every appearance of the word “account” in the Bible. This word appears 31 times in the King James Version (*Account, Accounted, Accounting, Accounts*). For sake of space, I will show only the reference but I encourage you to take your Bible and read the passages.

Matthew 12:36-37 – This passage is very important and needs to be memorized and considered! Just think about it. Every idle ([thoughtless or profitless](#); cf. 20:3, 6) word that we say, we will give account of in the day of judgment! This ought to make us be very careful about guarding our tongues and making sure our speech is pleasing to Christ. Are you or I saying things that might hurt others. Maybe it is sarcastic! Is what you are about to say something that will be pure, honor and glorify Him and help edify or encourage the person(s) you are speaking to? Much could be said about this passage, but I think the following best sums it up:

The disciples may have said, "It was nothing: we meant no evil; we merely threw out a supposition, as one way of accounting for the miracle we witnessed; if it will not stand, let it go; why make so much of it, and bear down with such severity for it?" Jesus replies, "It was not nothing, and at the great day will not be treated as nothing: Words, as the index of the heart, however idle they may seem, will be taken account of, whether good or bad, in estimating character in the day of judgment." (*Jamieson-Fausset-Brown Bible Commentary*)

Christ closes this address to his malignant and wicked hearers (The Pharisees) by a solemn declaration that for these things God would bring them into judgment. Therefore. They who had spoken so malignantly against him, could not escape.

Idle word - This literally means a vain, thoughtless, useless word; a word that accomplishes no good. Here it means, evidently, "wicked, injurious, false, malicious, for such" were the words which they had spoken. (*Barnes' notes on the Bible*)

Believer, based on this passage, before you or I say something, maybe we should think twice!

Matthew 18:23 - The following commentaries best describe this passage:

In our passage we read, “Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened...” The Lord next enforces the great doctrine of forgiveness to our fellow-man in a parable. Next, we read, “Unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.” The king is the Lord, the servants those who profess to serve him as King; the kingdom is his church on earth, but reaching beyond the earth. (*People's New Testament*)

...Would take account of his servants - To take account means to reckon, to settle up affairs. The word "servants" here means, probably, petty princes, or, more likely, collectors of the revenue or taxes. Among the ancients kings often farmed out, or sold for a certain sum, the taxes of a particular district or province. Thus, when Judea was subject to Egypt or Rome, the kings frequently sold to the high priest the taxes to be raised from Judea on condition of a much smaller sum being paid to them. This secured to them a certain sum, but it gave occasion to much oppression in the collection of the taxes. It is probable that some such persons are intended by the word servants. (*Barnes' Notes on the Bible*)

...likened unto a certain king: or "a man", "a king", pointing either to Christ, the king Messiah, who is King of kings, and Lord of lords, the King of saints and churches; who, as God, has a natural kingdom of providence, and as man and Mediator, a kingdom of grace; and will have a more visibly glorious one, both in this world and in the other; or rather, the Father of Christ, as appears from the application of the parable, in [Matthew 18:35](#), who is the living God, and everlasting King: whose is the kingdom of nature, grace, and glory:

which would take account of his servants; not all mankind, though these are all in a sense his servants, and accountable to him; nor only ministers of the Gospel, who are so in an eminent and peculiar sense, and must give an account to God of their time and talents, and souls committed to them; but all that bear the Christian name, that are professors of religion, that are either really or nominally the subjects and servants of God. These, it is sometimes the will and pleasure of God, to "take account of": not of their persons, or number, but of their conduct and behaviour; which, as it will be more fully done at death, or at judgment, so sometimes is taken in this life: God sometimes calls, and brings, professors of religion to an account, and reckons with them by afflictive dispensations of providence; when he puts them upon reflecting how they have spent their time, made use of their talents and gifts, and have behaved in their families, and in the world, and church; or by dealing roundly with men's consciences, awakening and convincing them of their sins, of omission and commission, which seems to be intended here. (*Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible*)

Emotions in The Bible (By: Craig Glickman)

There are many verses and passages in the Bible that relate to emotions and feelings of man and our Lord Himself in trials, suffering, affliction, and of course peace and joy. The following is an ongoing study of passages that have convicted, comforted, edified, encouraged or blessed me through hearing messages, devotions and studies over the years. I hope this is a blessing and help to you and I, and that the Lord may be honored and glorified in this series of studies on emotions in the Bible. Each issue, Lord willing, will have a verse or passage in the Bible covered. I am excited and privileged to do this. Praise God! I intend to break each passage down into the following: **Passage, Emotion(s), Cause, Effect, What does the passage say?, What does the passage say to you and I?, What should you and I do about it?, How do you and I stay accountable?**

Passage: Matthew 8:26

Emotion(s): Doubt, Fear

Cause: Rough Seas aboard the ship

Effect: fear and doubt

What does the passage say?: One can come up with many messages based on this passage. The parallel passages to this are Mark 4:35-41 and Luke 8:22-25. These passages speak of how the disciples and the Lord were aboard a ship when a great storm (Eurcocydon) came up and they saw Jesus sleeping. They awoke Him in fear and doubt, saying “Lord, save us: we perish.” The Lord says, “Why are ye fearful, O-ye of little faith?” He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm. The disciples marvelled, saying, what manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him! (Matthew 8:23-27)

What does the passage say to you and I?: This passage shows most importantly that as much as He was so much man, Jesus was so much God! The disciples did not see, yet, that Jesus was God, even after He just commanded the wind and the waves to obey Him! How sad! The Lord was disappointed in the disciples lack of faith in Him and also their lack of trust and dependence upon the Lord. They had fear and doubt because of the storm and then they marvelled at what was done, not seeing that Jesus was indeed God incarnate!

What should you and I do about it?: As believers we can face many storms in our life. Trials, pain, suffering, loss, grief, shame and so much more can come our way. We need to remember that God never promised smooth sailing, just a safe landing! When we are facing fearful or potential fearful situations we need to prayerfully turn our eyes upon Jesus, trust in Him fully and depend upon Him to protect, guide us and give us wisdom and understanding. He may not remove the trial, but we can go through it with Him by our side! We should have no reason to fear or doubt when we are walking close with Him and allowing the Spirit of God to guide and direct our lives. When we relinquish control of our lives and allow the Spirit to guide our lives through His word, we experience the Lord's power and blessing and we can delight in Him as He molds and makes us vessels of mercy fit for His use. Remember, when we are tried and purified, we shall come forth as gold! Believer, fear not! Doubt not! Trust in and rejoice in the God of our salvation!

How do you and I stay accountable?: Pray daily and often, seek and study His word, claim His promises and trust and depend fully upon the One who is in control of our lives and makes no mistakes.

Only Jesus Saves! (John 14:6)

Can All Religions Be Right?

Take the test.

1. Who declared Himself to be deity?
 - a.) Mohammad
 - b.) Joseph Smith
 - c.) **Jesus Christ**

“For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one” 1 John 5:7

2. Who died, was buried and rose again the third day?
 - a.) Buddha
 - b.) Charles Taze Russell
 - c.) **Jesus Christ**

“...Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.” 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

3. Who offers the only way to be forgiven of sins?
 - a.) The Pope
 - b.) Mohammad

c.) Jesus Christ

“I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.” Isaiah 42:25

4. Who delivers salvation as a free gift from God?

- a.) Joseph Smith
- b.) Charles Taze Russell

c.) Jesus Christ

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9

5. Who was given all authority on earth?

- a.) Charles Taze Russell
- b.) The Pope

c.) Jesus Christ

“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.” Matthew 28:18

6. Who boldly stated “Repent or Perish.”

- a.) Mohammad
- b.) Joseph Smith

c.) Jesus Christ

“I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.” Luke 13:3

7. In whom will you place your faith?

- a.) The Pope
- b.) Charles Taze Russell
- c.) Buddha
- d.) Joseph Smith

e.) Jesus Christ

“...whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16

Repent from your sins and receive the forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ.

“The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” 2 Peter 3:9

You will die in your sins and will receive God's wrath if you have been deceived and fail this test.

“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.” John 3:36

WHAT YOU BELIEVE MATTERS!

:) Children For Christ :)

ALL POWERFUL

Memory Verse: “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.” Matthew 28:18

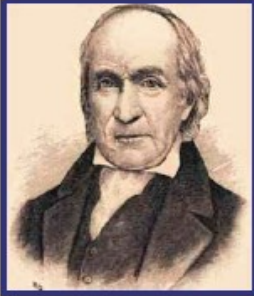
Dear Children, just like our memory verse, the Bible teaches in many, many other places of Jesus' power. Please look up these six of many verses in your King James Bible and fill-in-the-blanks.

1. **2 Samuel 22:33** – God is my strength and _____ : and he maketh my way perfect.
2. **Psalm 62:11** – _____ hath spoken _____; twice have I heard this; that _____ belongeth unto God.”
3. **Jeremiah 10:12** – He hath made the _____ by his _____, he hath established the world by his _____, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion.
4. **Matthew 9:6** – *But that ye may know that the Son of man hath _____ on earth to forgive _____, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.*
5. **John 10:18** – *No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have _____ to lay it down, and I have _____ to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.*
6. **Ephesians 1:19** – And what is the exceeding greatness of his _____ to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty _____.

<p>“God made man to fit His word, not His word to fit the man.”</p>	<p>“Base your doctrine out of all the Bible, not just some or parts of it.” <i>(Rightly dividing the word of truth)</i></p>
<p>“Nothing is going to happen to you today that God does not know about.” ----- “Nothing is going to happen to you today that God and you can't handle together.” ----- “Always allow clear scripture to dictate unclear scripture.”</p>	<p>Praises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praise God that no matter what happens in this world, He is in complete control, He makes no mistakes, and He is always faithful and true! • Praise God for a powerful time of preaching and fellowship at the Lecture Series at Bible Baptist Church of Cromwell, CT on 4/18 <p>Prayer Requests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pray for salvation and needs of those affected by the recent tragedy in Boston, MA on April 15th. • Salvation of Wendy and friend Ben, Jacob, Kaitlyn, Sybil and Bernice (Family of Craig Glickman) • Lacroix family and friend Rick (Salvation) • Rusty and family, Jose, Rudney (Salvation) • Outreach of Heritage Baptist Church

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Quotes From the Past:



John Leland, 1754 - 1841
A great American Baptist preacher of the 18th century

“Every man must give an account of himself to God, and therefore every man ought to be at liberty to serve God in that way that he can best reconcile to his conscience It would be sinful for a man to surrender that to man which is to be kept sacred for God.”

John Leland

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Thank you for reading this. I praise God for all my dear brothers and sisters in Christ and I greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

His Servants,

Craig Glickman Andrew Lacroix

Prov. 3:5-6

1 Thes. 5:18

