Don't Worry Matthew 6:25-34

Introduction:

- A. Worry is a universal problem that does not discriminate.
- B. Worry is destructive and has a major effect on one's overall health. It is a leading cause of heart trouble, high blood pressure, stomach disorders, and respiratory ailments.

The Command: Do Not Worry About Your Life (vs. 25, 31, 34).

- A. Jesus gives a command for His followers to not worry like those who are not a part of His Kingdom.
- B. Worry is a sin we must avoid like all other sins. It robs us of the peace of God (Phil. 4:6-7).
- C. Jesus is not saying it is wrong for us to make certain preparations (I Tim. 5:8).

Reasons We Should Not Worry:

- A. Worry does not change anything (v. 27).
 - 1. Most of our worries are over things we cannot control (ex: past and future events).
 - 2. Worrying does not change any outcome or prevent any future thing from happening (Heb. 9:27).
- B. Worry demonstrates a lack of faith (vs. 30-32).
 - 1. Jesus often rebuked his disciples for a lack of faith (Matt. 8:26; 14:31; 16:8; 17:20).
 - 2. Worry is sinful because it is our way of telling God that we do not trust Him to take care of us.

Overcoming Our Worries:

- A. Look to the father (vs. 26-32).
 - 1. If God cares for and provides for the lesser things, He will certainly care for and provide for us.
 - 2. We must learn to trust God and turn our worries over to Him (Psa. 37:25; Phil. 4:19; I Pet. 5:7).
- B. Line up your priorities (v. 33).
 - 1. As Christians, we are not of this world (Jn. 15:19). Our mindset is to be different (Col. 3:1-2).
 - 2. We need to be about our Father's business (Lk. 2:49).
- C. Live for today (v. 34).
 - 1. If we want to live for today we must not dwell on yesterday or tomorrow.
 - 2. Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring (Prov. 27:1).

Conclusion:

- A. Worry is a matter of not trusting God and His ability to provide for and take care of us.
- B. We serve a mighty God. Our "big" problems are not too large for Him. Place your trust in Him today.