



Not to Worry

Luke 12:22-34

Sermon Study Notes

The Bible views worry not as weakness, but as wickedness. Greed never has enough; worry fears it won't have enough. Jesus warns His followers against materialism.

I. Worry fails to understand divine priority. (12:22-23)

- A. Materialism causes us to worry about our future.
- B. Materialism causes us to worry about our food.
- C. Materialism causes us to worry about our fitness.
- D. Materialism causes us to worry about our fashion.

II. Worry fails to understand divine privilege. (12:24-26)

- A. Worry is idolatrous.
- B. Worry is imaginary.
- C. Worry is irrational.
 - 1. What farmer would feed his barnyard chickens and fail his beloved children?
 - 2. The Lord isn't saying you shouldn't work, He's saying you shouldn't worry.
- D. Worry is insulting.
 - 1. Worry points a finger in the face of God and calls Him a liar.
 - 2. When you worry, you're not thinking like someone who has a heavenly Father.
- E. Worry is infectious.
- F. Worry is infinite.

III. Worry fails to understand divine provision. (12:27-28)

- A. God is competent to care for you.
- B. God is committed to care for you.
- C. God is compelled to care for you.

IV. Worry fails to understand divine paternity. (12:29-32)

- A. We have the promise of our Father to give us our food.
- B. We have the promise of our King to give us the Kingdom.

V. Worry fails to understand divine pleasure. (12:33-34)

- A. Worry is the antithesis of worship.
 - 1. Worry robs God of His praise.
 - 2. Worry robs you of God's peace.
- B. Worship is the antidote to worry.
 - 1. Worry would make sense if God wasn't sovereign, but He is.
 - 2. Worry would make sense if God hadn't supplied your needs in the past, but He has.
 - 3. Worry would make sense if God hadn't sustained you in your darkest moments, but He has.
 - 4. Worry would make sense if God hadn't showed His love for you, but there's a bloody cross and a barren tomb that says He has. The cross is the guarantee that God values me.