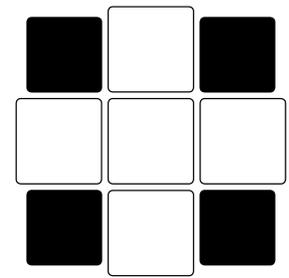


Care and Anxiety

Scripture: **Luke 12:22–34**

Series: **The Gospel of Luke**

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Overview

Anxiety and worry are common to everyone—there is no exception. Yet for as much as we do it, we tend to fear the wrong things. We deny God’s providence when we worry about what we will eat or wear. Since He has fulfilled our deepest need in Christ we can be sure He will also give us what we truly need in this life. **The fatherhood of God calms the heart of man.**

Corroborating Texts

Deuteronomy 7:6; John 17, Ephesians 2:4–7; Philippians 4:6–7

Discussion Questions

1. Reflect on the fact that what Jesus says in Luke 12:24 is actually true—that the ravens eat because *God Himself feeds them*. Ultimately, this is neither by chance nor the ravens’ skill. God cares enough for the birds to arrange every detail so that they may eat. Share how your current anxieties reflect a lack of faith in God’s providence.
2. What are some reasons we don’t need to worry? [life is more than your obsessions, God will provide for you, worry doesn’t help, God knows your true needs]
3. Pastor Joe said we often consider ourselves victims of anxiety rather than seeing that said anxiety can stem from sinful unbelief. What can help us maintain a right view? [seek the kingdom of God, loosen our grip on the world, invest in heavenly treasures, guard our heart]
4. How can you be always working like the raven, and yet not worry about what you will eat or wear? [work not out of desperation, but to glorify Him in faith that He will provide the fruit]
5. How does Jesus’ work in storing up treasures in heaven make it possible for you to do the same? [Jesus’ saving work both secures our position in heaven and empowers us to share the gospel for the building of the kingdom; we His sheep are His treasure!]
6. Why, as a believer, do you have every reason to be at peace? [“...it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.” (v. 32) He gives us the forgiveness we truly need and then as an act of grace upon grace, the inheritance of His Son.]