

DON'T WORRY

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BIBLE VERSES

Matthew 6:31-34

Matthew 6:19-21, 24

Malachi 3:10

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Are you a worrier? Do you know somebody who is a worrier? What things cause you to worry the most?
2. In Matthew 6:33 Jesus teaches us to seek God's Kingdom first. How would you explain or describe God's Kingdom?
3. Seeking the Kingdom of God is about participating in God's will on Earth. This requires us to seek what God is doing, then join Him. What do you see God doing around you? How can you participate?
4. Financial worry is the "why" behind Jesus' teaching on worry. Read Matthew 6:19. What "earthly treasures" are you most likely to store up?
5. Read Matthew 6:21. Our default is that our heart follows what we treasure. Do you most often *listen* to your heart or *direct* your heart?
6. How do you think participating in what God is doing around you by giving generously would direct your heart?
7. Which of these three reasons are mostly likely to keep you from giving generously to God's Kingdom?
 - You don't trust your church
 - You don't trust yourself
 - You don't trust God
8. The only way God tells us to test him in Scripture is with our finances. Read Malachi 3:10. Would you be willing to test God by committing to a three month giving plan—tithing for three months? How could this help you "seek the Kingdom of God above all else"?