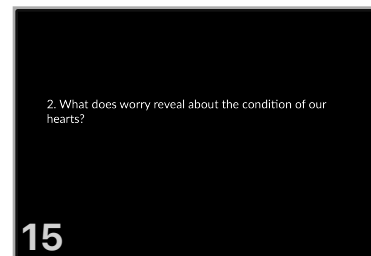
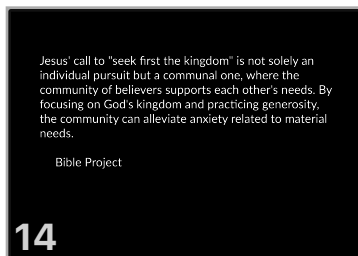
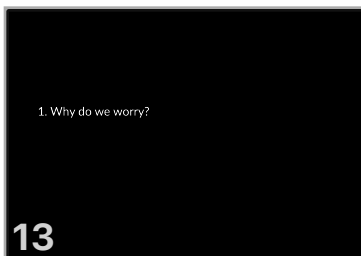
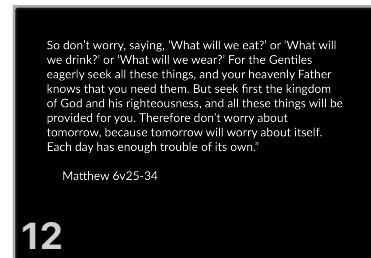
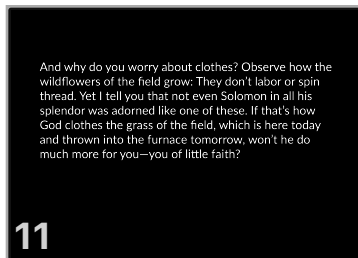
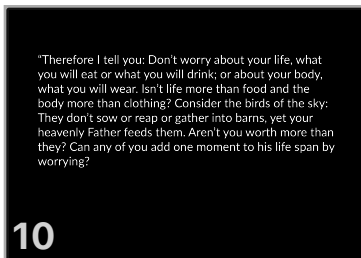
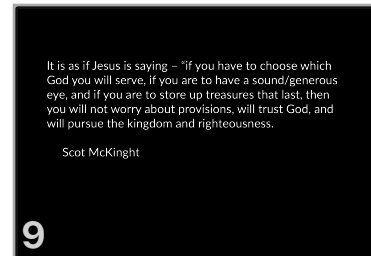
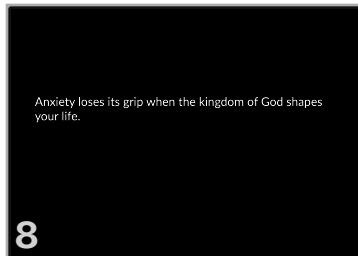
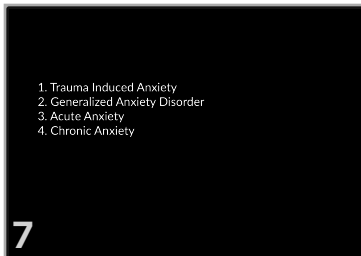
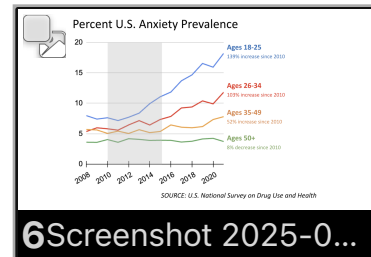
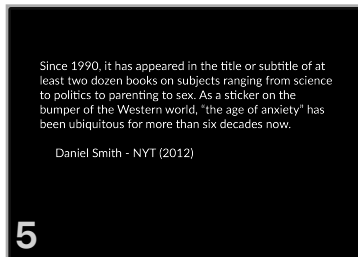
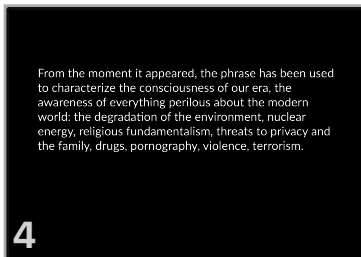
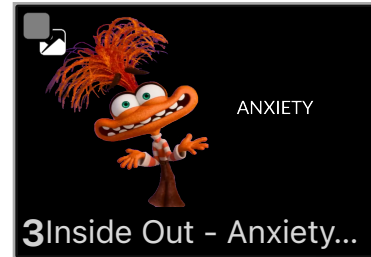
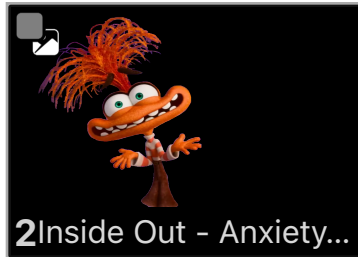
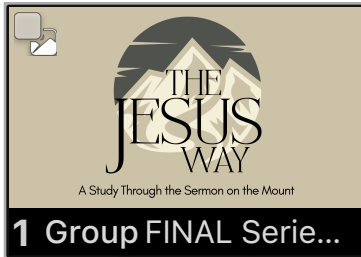


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The source of worry is unbelief. The effect of unbelief is anxiety.

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Our human experience is this: God created and now sustains our life; he also created and continues to sustain our body. This is a fact of everyday experience. We neither made ourselves, nor keep ourselves alive. Now, our 'life' (for which God is responsible) is obviously more important than the food and drink which nourish it. Similarly our 'body' (for which God is also responsible) is more important than the clothing which covers and warms it.

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Well then, if God already takes care of the greater (our life and our body), can we not trust him to take care of the lesser (our food and our clothing)? [...] If the Creator cares for his creation, then we can be even more sure that the Father will care for his children.

John Stott

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3. How do we combat worry?

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For the person walking around with holes in their garment, what Jesus would invite them to see is to just trust - trust that in the economy of God you'll get a garment. It will be added to you. But he knows that sometimes that person will end up naked and freeze in the bitter cold at night, and that happens too and there you have to take Jesus' other teachings into account.

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But that's the tragic result of an economic system that's ruled by mammon (money - v24). Ruled by an alternate power that only provides for some at the expense of others.

Tim Mackie

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Anxiety loses its grip when the kingdom of God shapes your life.

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Philippians 4v4-9

Enjoy the presence of God (4-5)

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Dwell upon the things of God (8)

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Enjoy the presence of God (4-5)
Take all your cares to God (6-7)
Dwell upon the things of God (8)
Live out the way of God (9)

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