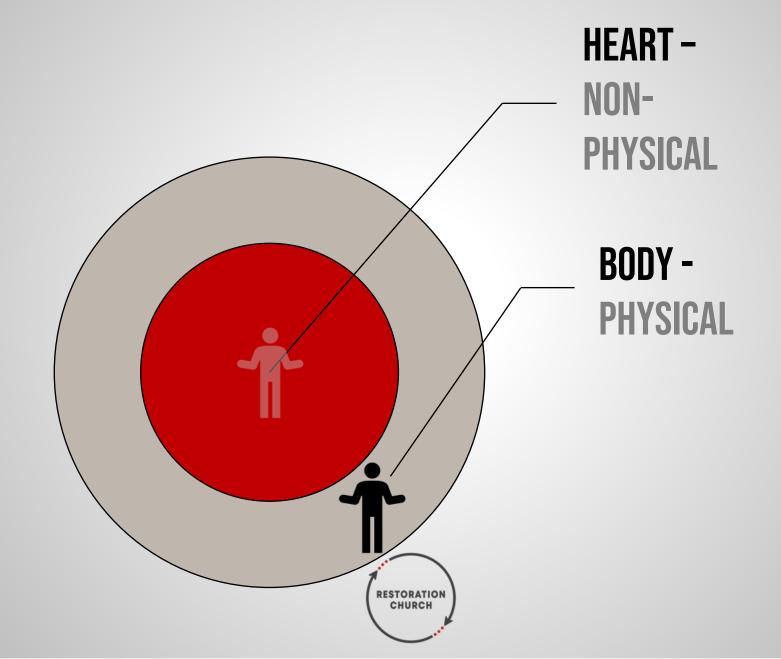
A GOOD WORD ON ANXIETY - WORKSHOP

anxiety in a person's heart weighs them down, but a good word makes them glad

1. MEDITATION

BUT I CALL TO GOD, AND THE LORD WILL SAVE ME. EVENING AND MORNING AND AT NOON I UTTER MY COMPLAINT AND MOAN, AND HE HEARS MY VOICE. HE REDEEMS MY SOUL IN SAFETY FROM THE BATTLE THAT I WAGE, FOR MANY ARE ARRAYED AGAINST ME. PSALM 55:16–18

1. THE NATURE OF HUMANITY



THE HEART

AS IN WATER FACE REFLECTS FACE, SO THE HEART OF MAN REFLECTS THE MAN. PROVERBS 27:19

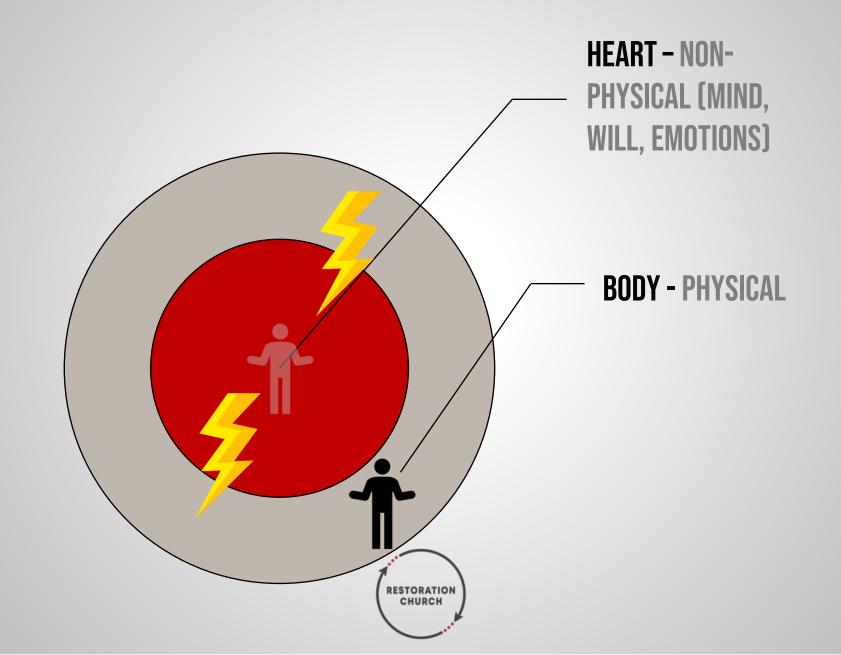


THE HEART

SEARCH ME, O GOD, AND KNOW MY HEART! TRY ME AND KNOW MY THOUGHTS! PSALM 139:23







ANXIETY IS A 'WHOLE PERSON' EXPERIENCE



BODY

REST
MEDICATION
BIOLOGICAL SOURCES
THE BODY KEEPS THE SCORE
SOMETIMES ... REMOVAL OF THREATS
WHEN THE BODY LEADS YOU INTO ANXIETY



MIND

FEAR IS A FALSE PROPHET

REASSESSING ACTUAL RISK

OTHER PEOPLE SPEAKING INTO THE ANXIETY BUBBLE

PUNCTUATING THE CONVERSATION IN YOUR HEAD

DANGER GIVES US TUNNEL VISION



EMOTIONS

WHAT ANXIETY FEELS LIKE FOR YOU TRIGGER POINTS FOR KICKING A PLAN INTO GEAR POURING OUT YOUR HEART TO GOD



WILL

CHOOSING TO BELIEVE SOMETHING ELSE USING THE PHYSICAL TO INTERRUPT AND STOP FINDING OPPORTUNITY TO NOT DO SOMETHING OUT OF TRUST IN GOD DOING SOMETHING





2. MEDITATION

FEAR NOT, FOR I AM WITH YOU; BE NOT DISMAYED, FOR I AM YOUR GOD; I WILL STRENGTHEN YOU, I WILL HELP YOU, I WILL UPHOLD YOU WITH MY RIGHTEOUS RIGHT HAND ... FOR I, THE LORD YOUR GOD, HOLD YOUR RIGHT HAND; IT IS I WHO SAY TO YOU, "FEAR NOT, I AM THE ONE WHO HELPS YOU." ISAIAH 41:10,13

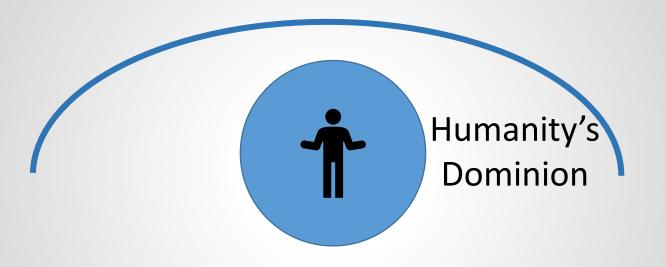
2. BEING AWARE OF YOUR INTERNAL PACE





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God's Dominion





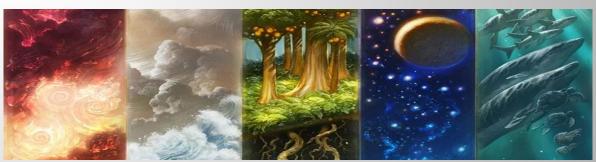
Creation

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WHAT KINDS OF THINGS DO WE EMPLOY IN AN EFFORT TO CONTROL THREATS?



ANXIETY ISOLATES



FEAR IS FAST, TRUST IS SLOW





3. MEDITATION

HE WHO DID NOT SPARE HIS OWN SON BUT GAVE HIM UP FOR US ALL, HOW WILL HE NOT ALSO WITH HIM GRACIOUSLY GIVE US ALL THINGS? ROMANS 8:32

3. REPENTANCE



SINNERS AND SUFFERERS

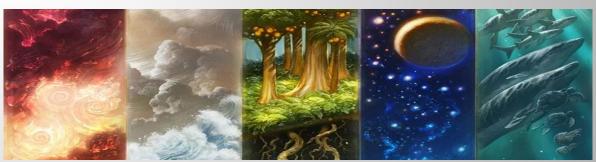


GOD

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SINFUL MOVES IN ANXIETY

WE WANT WHAT WE WANT AND WE DESERT GOD IN AN EFFORT TO GET IT

WE STAY IN AN ANXIOUS PLACE BECAUSE WE WANT THE THING WE ARE ANXIOUS ABOUT MORE THAN GOD

WE ARE UNFAITHFUL IN TRUSTING GOD CONSISTENTLY





4. MEDITATION

I WAITED PATIENTLY FOR THE LORD; HE INCLINED TO ME AND HEARD MY CRY. HE DREW ME UP FROM THE PIT OF DESTRUCTION, OUT OF THE MIRY BOG, AND SET MY FEET UPON A ROCK, MAKING MY STEPS SECURE. PSALM 40:1–2

4. OPERATING PERSONALLY WITH GOD IN ANXIETY



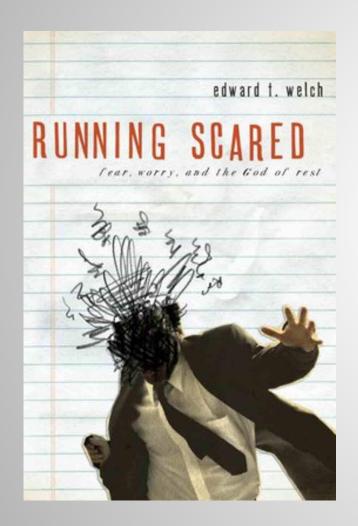
PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9

DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING, BUT IN EVERYTHING BY PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN TO GOD. AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING, WILL GUARD YOUR HEARTS AND YOUR MINDS IN CHRIST JESUS ... WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED AND RECEIVED AND HEARD AND SEEN IN ME—PRACTICE THESE THINGS, AND THE GOD OF PEACE WILL BE WITH YOU.





HELPFUL RESOURCES



EDWARD T. WELCH MEDITATIONS ON FEAR, WORRY, AND TRUST A SMALL BOOK FOR THE RESTORATION CHURCH

