

Who Cares?

*"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."
Philippians 4:6-7 esv*

Anxiety is directly correlated to our level of trust in God and how good we believe He is. If our anxiety level is high, our trust in God is low.

Anxiety is often a result of our lack of control

*Here's the truth: Our desire for control comes
from
our concern about care.*

***"Cast all your cares (anxieties) upon Him
because He cares for you."***

1 Peter 5:7

*On that day, when evening had come, he said to
them,
“Let us go across to the other side.”*

*And leaving the crowd, they took him with them
in the boat,
just as he was. And other boats were with him.*

*And a great windstorm arose, and the waves
were breaking into
the boat, so that the boat was already filling.*

*But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion.
And they woke him and said to him,*

***“Teacher, do you not care that we are
perishing?”***

And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?"

*And they were filled with great fear and said to
one another,*

***“Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea
obey him?”***

Mark 4:35-41

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole battalion before Him.

*And they stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on
Him, and twisting together a crown of thorns,*

they put it on His head and put a reed in His right hand. And kneeling before Him, they mocked Him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!”

And they spit on Him and took the reed and struck Him on the head.

And when they had mocked Him, they stripped Him of the robe and put His own clothes on Him and led Him away to crucify Him.

*As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene,
Simon by name. They compelled this man to
carry His cross.*

*And when they came to a place called Golgotha
(which means Place of a Skull),*

*they offered Him wine to drink, mixed with gall,
but when He tasted it, He would not drink it.*

***And when they had crucified Him, they divided
His garments among them by casting lots.***

*Then they sat down and kept watch over Him
there.*

*And over His head they put the charge against
Him, which read,
“This is Jesus, the King of the Jews.”*

*Then two robbers were crucified with Him, one
on the right and
one on the left.*

*And those who passed by derided Him, wagging
their
heads and saying,*

“You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross.”

*So also the chief priests, with the scribes and
elders,
mocked Him, saying,*

***“He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him.*”**

He trusts in God; let God deliver Him now, if He desires Him. For He said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

*And the robbers who were crucified with Him
also reviled Him in the same way.*

***Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over
all the land until the ninth hour.***

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

*And some of the bystanders, hearing it, said,
“This man is calling Elijah.”*

*And one of them at once ran and took a sponge,
filled it with sour wine, and put it on a reed and
gave it to Him to drink.*

*But the others said, “Wait, let us see whether
Elijah will come to save him.”*

And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up His spirit.

*And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two,
from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks
were split.*

Matthew 27:27-51