

LESSON 1—June 6, 2021

Summer Quarter 2021 Theme:
Confident Hope
Unit I: Jesus Teaches About Faith

Lesson Titles:
No Worries
(Faith Pathway Bible Studies)
Why Do You Worry?
(Townsend Press Sunday School
Commentary)

Devotional Reading:

Ezekiel 34:11-16

Background Scripture:

Matthew 6:19-34

Print Passage:

Matthew 6:25-34

Key Verse(s):

Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. (Matthew 6:32b-33, KJV)

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“Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” (Matthew 6:32b-33, NIV)

► Questions to Consider:

1. What was Jesus' message to His disciples and followers?
2. What does God say about His provision for our daily needs?
3. What does Jesus say about worry?

► Lesson Context:

- This week's lesson is a part of what is known as “The Sermon on the **Mount**.”
- The Sermon on the Mount outlines what it looks like to live as a follower of Christ.
- Midway through the Sermon (as we see in Matthew 6), Jesus encouraged the righteous not to be preoccupied with physical concerns, but to set their minds on pursuing the kingdom, trusting that the same God who feeds the birds will, likewise, supply all their needs.

► Lesson Aims:

As a result of experiencing this lesson, the participants should be able to do these things:

- Contrast Jesus' teachings about worry with your own anxieties.
- Appreciate God's care for everything in nature.
- Embrace the opportunity to trust God in everyday life.

► Lesson Outlines/Key Points:**I. Why Worry about Cares? Do **Seek!****

Key Point 1: Jesus teaches us not to **worry**.

Key Point 2: God wants us to trust Him as our provider and to trust him for the things which are necessary to support life.

II. Why Worry about Clothes? Be **Satisfied!**

Key Point 1: God does not want us to worry or be anxious over things.

Key Point 2: Jesus said that being stressed and anxious over daily necessities and appearances is something pagans (unbelievers) do.

III. Why Worry about Consumptions? Do **Submit!**

Key Point 1: God is the source of all our daily needs.

Key Point 2: God wants us to put our full confidence, faith, and trust in Him.

► Lesson Summary:

- This lesson is teaching us to have a faith that has no worries, a faith that trusts God no matter what the day brings.
- God wants us to live by faith and to trust Him completely to supply **all** our needs.

What Do You Think? (These questions are found in this week's Faith Pathway student book.)

1. What are the things that tend to distract us from seeking Christ and His kingdom?

2. How can we shift our worry to worship?

3. With all the pressures of the world, how can we submit to God to fulfill our purpose in God?

As a result of this lesson, I will do the following:
