

Sermon: Don't Worry. Trust God.
Series: Luke: The Gospel for Everyone.

Scripture: Luke 12:22-34.
Date: March 9, 2025

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about us?

- a) In general, what are the main causes of worry or anxiety in your life? Do you consider this anxiety to be sinful? Why or why not?
- b) Jesus talks about food and clothing as our basic necessities but he also helps us see that these basics can represent deeper spiritual desires for things like security and acceptance. Can you identify any spiritual insecurities or worries in your heart?
- c) How much of your daily life is focused on improving your future? How does this "future focus" increase our anxiety? How is Jesus grounding us in the present in this passage?

2. What does this passage teach us about God?

- a) Review verses 22-28. How would you describe the relationship between God and his creation (birds and flowers)? What lesson can we learn from the creation concerning worry and trust?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

- a) Read verses 31-32. The Kingdom is both a gift and something we seek. How do we live out this paradigm as Christians? What will receiving the Kingdom look like for the Christian? What will seeking the Kingdom look like for the Christian?
- b) In the sermon we said that the Kingdom is the King, and the King is the Kingdom. What might happen if we try to seek the Kingdom of God apart from faith in Christ the King?

APPLICATION

- a) Jesus' two cures for worry are 1) Seek first the Kingdom of God, and 2) Sell what you have and help the needy. How are these two commands of Christ connected? What are some very practical ways that you can seek the Kingdom of God by helping the needy?

PRAYER

- Praise God for his sustaining care over all his creation.
- Confess areas of worry that are seeking to destroy your trust in God.
- Thank Jesus for sharing his kingdom with us.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to seek the Kingdom of God by helping those in need.