GOD WILL PROVIDE

Do Not Worry

- Worry is one of the greatest threats to your provision-Mt6:25-Therefore I say I. unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? ²⁶Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are ye not much better than they? 27Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? 28 And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: 29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? 31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? 32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. 33But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. ³⁴Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.
 - A. <u>Jesus would not have said this so many times unless it was a genuine threat to you seeing your needs met</u>
 - B. You will be tempted to worry-Elsewise He wouldn't have said this
 - C. <u>If you want to see God meet your needs you must refuse to worry-We need</u> to by hyperaware of this; If we sense the least bit of worry about provision we need to stop in it's tracks
- II. He said this multiple times because worry affects what God can do for you-Hb3:19-They could not enter in because of unbelief-Mt13:58-He did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief-Mt17:20-Because of your unbelief
 - A. God meeting your needs is act of His grace-2Co9:8-God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work
 - B. We access grace by faith-Rm4:16-Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace-Rm5:2-By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand-Ep2:8-By grace are you saved through faith
 - C. Anything that is not of faith affects my access into God's grace-Worrying is the opposite of faith which makes it the greatest enemy of your provision
 - D. Your faith affects your provision-Ps37:3-Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt you dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed; Ps34:22-None of them that trust in him shall be desolate-Lk12:29-Seek not ye what you shall eat, or what you shall drink, neither be ye of a doubtful mind
- III. David expressed unwavering trust in his time of need-Ps23:1-The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ²He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. ³He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴Yea, though I walk through

the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. ⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

- A. <u>NOTE</u>-David wrote this Psalm during of the most dangerous times in his life. He was fleeing from King Saul and his army. David hid himself in a barren, desolate, forest called Hareth, which means a parched and dry like baked earthenware. God did not cease to be David's source. He soaked this dry forest with moisture, which had the appearance of the Heaven On Earth, making even the grass and the leaves of the forest tender and edible. This revealed David that God provides at all times even when the chances of survival seem to be non-existent.
- B. The reason he laid in those green pastures is because of what he believed and said when he saw no green pastures—His faith affected his prosivion
- C. <u>How confident are you?</u>-Our girls never worry about food, clothes, their desires or even getting birthday presents, they just know it's going to be there (Say this: I'm going to eat, God will provide)
- IV. You don't receive from God according to what His ability or even His will, but it's according to what you believe-Mt9:29-According to your faith be it unto you; Mk5:34-Thy faith hath made thee whole