

Monday, 29 August 2016

1 Peter 5:6-7

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

I did not realize until recently that my anxieties were an expression of my pride in my self-sufficiency. "How am I going to fix this problem? Fuss and stew. Stew and fuss." If I truly believe/trust/have faith that the LORD, God the Almighty cares for me, I will turn the problem over to Him and rejoice as He deals with the situation. I need to acknowledge that I am totally incapable and He is totally capable.

Tuesday, 30 August 2016

Psalms 55:22

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Another expression of humility. Even those tasks and responsibilities that I am convinced are within my capabilities, that I am fully confident that I can handle; am I willing to cede control to the Lord and seek His guidance in the execution? Am I willing to admit to Him that He is far more able to direct my efforts than I am?

Hummm, there is a lot of room for improvement.

Wednesday, 31 August 2016

Matthew 6:31-34 [1]

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

So many of my anxieties are focused in the material realm. "What am I going to eat for lunch? How am I going to pay the mortgage this month? Is that ache another symptom of a new ailment?" There is not a single element that my Father is not aware of, moreover has not already provided

for.

TRUST ME, John!

Thursday, 1 September 2016

Matthew 6:31-34 [2]

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What's this 'seek' business? My old friend, the instruction to trust His righteousness, to have faith in His goodness, to believe in His promises, to obey His commandments. To walk that narrow and straight path, the King's Highway through the Kingdom of Heaven in the here and now.

Friday, 2 September 2016

Matthew 6:31-34 [3]

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The LORD, God the Almighty, being outside of time sees my tomorrow clearly as the ever-present now. I being a creature who only exists in time, can only live in today, I will never live in tomorrow. Therefore my focus, all my efforts and concerns need to be on today, that is my now. How am I going to walk the King's Highway today? (see yesterday for the priority order)

Saturday, 3 September 2016

Philippians 4:19

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine
Air of salvation purchase of God
Born of his spirit, washed in His blood

This is my story, this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
CeCe Winans

Lord's Day, 4 September 2016

Psalm 119:114

You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word.

Lord, You are the place of great peace, the peace that
passes all understanding, my hiding place.

VOICES TOGETHER

Daily Meditations from the Scriptures



August 29-September 4, 2016

I was dealing with a very difficult and perplexing problem in the spring of 1989 and tackling it by trying to learn everything I could on the subject. One evening, as I continued my studies, God told me very clearly that the root of the problem was that I did not know Him. I put down the book I was reading and picked up a Bible figuring that was where I was going to find Him. That began what has been a 27-year search to know, really know in a John 17:3 way, the Lord, God the Almighty.*

Voices Together has and continues to be, a very important part of that search. It is extracted from my daily meditations and is shared in the hope that others will be encouraged to turn to the Scriptures as a rich source of guidance for prayer and meditation.

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*LORD or LORD, God the Almighty always refers to the Trinitarian God.