

Upheld By Grace

-Christians need the grace of God.

- 2 Timothy 2:1; Hebrews 13:9; 10:29 with Ephesians 3:16; 2 Peter 3:18
- Paul's letters begin and end with grace ("Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ" "The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you")
- "How long, O Lord?" (Psalm 4:2; 13:1, 2; 74:10; 79:5; 80:4; 82:2; 89:46; 90:13; 94:3; Habakkuk 1:2)
- Grace is promised to the Christian (1 Peter 5:10; 2 Corinthians 9:8).

-Grace is received by faith in the Word of God.

→The Problem of Anxiety

-A serious problem: related to other sins

-A form of sinful fear; unbelief: a failure to trust God to be and do for us all that He has promised to, in and through His Son Jesus Christ.

Matthew 6:25-34

-God can provide food and clothing because He made you and gave you life (v. 25).

-God will care for you because He cares for creatures that are worth far less than humans (v. 26).

-Worry doesn't do you any good (v. 27).

-God will care for you because He cares for flowers that perish (vs. 28-30).

-God knows all about all your needs (vs. 31, 32).

-Instead of worrying, make His kingdom a priority and He will provide all you need to do His will and bring Him glory (v. 33).

-Live one day at a time (v. 34).

-Grace for: challenging ventures (Isaiah 41:10); fruitful ministry (Isaiah 55:11); needed strength (2 Corinthians 12:9); important decisions (Psalm 32:8); facing enemies (Romans 8:31); welfare of loved ones (Matthew 7:11); rejection and opposition (Mark 10:29, 30); illness (Psalm 34:19); trials and suffering (Romans 5:3-5); aging (Isaiah 46:4); death (Romans 14:7-9); perseverance (Philippians 1:6; Hebrews 7:25); general (Psalm 56:3; 1 Peter 5:7; Philippians 4:6, 19)