

Don't Worry, Be...

Actual Jesus (Gospel of Matthew) – Part 76

Matthew 6:25-34

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¹⁹“Do not treasure up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth-larvae and decay make unrecognizable, and where thieves dig through and steal. ²⁰But treasure up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth-larvae nor decay make unrecognizable, and where thieves do not dig through nor steal. ²¹For where is your treasure, there will be also your heart.

²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. Therefore, if your eye is single, your whole body will be illuminated. ²³But if your eye is wicked, your whole body will be dark. Therefore, if what 'light' is in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

²⁴“No one is able to slave for two lords: for either the one he will hate and the other he will love, or, the one he will hold fast and the other he will disdain. You are not able to slave for God and for Mammon.

²⁵“On account of this, I say to you: do not be¹ anxious for your life² — what you might eat or what you might drink;³ nor for your body — what you might clothe yourself with. Is not the life more than nourishment, and the body than clothes?

²⁶“Look closely at the birds of the heaven, that they do
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not sow, nor do they harvest, nor do they gather together into granaries, and yet your heavenly Father nourishes them. Do you not matter more than they? ²⁷And who from among you by being anxious is able to add one cubit to his lifespan⁴?

²⁸“And concerning clothes, why are you anxious? Study the wildflowers of the field, how they grow: they do not labor, nor do they spin. ²⁹But I say to you that not even Solomon, in all his glory, was clothed as one of these! ³⁰And if the grass of the field—today existing, and tomorrow cast into the furnace—God thus dresses, *will He* not much more you, *you* of little faith?

³¹“Therefore, do not be anxious, saying ‘What shall we eat?’, or ‘What shall we drink?’, or ‘What shall we clothe ourselves with?’ ³²For all these things the Gentiles seek after. For Your heavenly Father knows that you need these things—all of them. ³³But keep seeking first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴“Therefore, do not be anxious regarding tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its evil.”

Pastor Phillips' ad hoc translation)

Introduction:

I. Opening _____ (v. 25)

A. Powerful Command (v. 25a)

1. Anxiety **fleshed out**

Anxiety is un_____

2. Anxiety **focused**

3. Anxiety **forbidden**

B. Probing _____ (v. 25b)

II. Instructive Examples (vv. 26-32)

A. First Example: _____ (vv. 26-27)

1. Illustration (v. 26a)

Anxiety is un_____

¹ Or stop being.

² Literally soul, both times.

³ ...or what you might drink is missing from some Greek manuscripts.

⁴ Or stature.

2. Argument (v. 26b)

3. Reproof (v. 27)

Anxiety is un_____

B. Second Example: _____ (vv. 28-30)

1. Illustration (vv. 28-29)

2. Argument (v. 30)

Anxiety is un_____ and un_____

C. Their _____ (vv. 31-32)

1. What _____ (v. 31)

2. Why _____ (v. 32):

Anxiety is un_____

Anxiety is un_____

III. Crescendo (vv. 33-34)

A. What To Do (v. 33)

1. The action (v. 33a)

2. The assurance (v. 33b)

B. What To Avoid (v. 34)