

Sovereign Provision
Matthew 6:25 – 34
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Main Idea: We don't have to worry about our lives because God cares for us completely.

Introduction

We concern ourselves with things that do not matter in eternity. Jesus teaches us that being concerned with these petty and earthly things is a waste of our time and worrying about these things changes nothing in our lives. We worry about our lives, our fashion, what we need to drink and eat and all of our wants and needs. We play the short game and look too small things rather than focusing on the things God wants from us and the way he wants us to handle adversity. Let's take a look at what Jesus has to say about food, fashion and worry.

Matthew 6:25–27

25 “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? **26** Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? **27** And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?

I. God cares about our life.

- A We need not worry about our needs.
- B God cares for the little things.

Matthew 6:28-30

28 And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, **29** yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. **30** But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

II. God cares about our clothing.

- A God clothes his creation in splendor.
- B God cares for our clothing needs.

Matthew 6:31-34

31 Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ **32** For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. **33** But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these

things will be added to you. **34** “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

III. We must not be anxious for our needs.

A God knows what we need.

B We must seek God’s kingdom.

Conclusion

Jesus aims directly at the things that we concern ourselves with here and now. We’re anxious about everything and we worry about our needs better take care of by God himself. God cares for us more than we could ever imagine. And he provides for all of our needs by his kingly power. We don’t need to worry about the little things like food and water and what we wear. Jesus provides all of these things for us because he loves us. To worry about these things takes our trust away from Jesus. He will deal with the things that we need and provides above and beyond our needs. Let us put our trust in him rather than worrying about these things we cannot change and God has already covered.