

Prayer List



Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ◆ Wilfred Derrick—aneurysm
- ◆ Florene Howze—fell, injured arm
- ◆ Donna Parrish—vertigo
- ◆ Brenda Ray—back home
- ◆ Jim Ward—hip surgery needed

Others in Need

- ◆ Janet Andrews—chemotherapy
- ◆ Sandra Cook—chemotherapy
- ◆ Elise Davis—shoulder surgery
- ◆ Gunner Griffith—therapy
- ◆ Tony Jones—back injury, better
- ◆ Mary Lou Joseph—cancer
- ◆ Alisha Mashburn—skin cancer
- ◆ Jeff Mashburn—rehabilitation
- ◆ Paul Mayo—chemotherapy
- ◆ Thad McCall—health problems
- ◆ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ◆ Patty Ryan—cancer treatments
- ◆ Theresa Turner—Covid, rehab
- ◆ Randall Ward—tests

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- ◆ Ronnie Wells—health problems
- ◆ Storm victims, Christians overseas struggling
- ◆ Pray for government leaders, military, those traveling, those lost in sin, and our enemies.

Events



Lord willing...

October 27

4th Wednesday Singing

November 3

New Bible class for all between 15-30 years old

To Our Visitors



We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

Privileged to Serve



Announcements—Glenn Howze
Song Leading—Sunday—David Howze; Wednesday—Justin Derrick
Serving the Lord's Supper
 Head: Glenn Howze; Helpers: Leo Derrick, Mark Howze, Josh Lawson
Lord's Supper PM
 Head: Glenn Howze
 Helper: Leo Derrick
Scripture Reading—Josh Lawson

Faithful Worship — **1) Praying** to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); **2) Singing** without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); **3) Preaching** God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); **4) Giving** weekly as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); **5) The Lord's Supper** on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

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Meeting Times

Sundays:

10AM Bible Class
 11AM Worship
 6PM Worship

Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

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How to Overcome Our Anxieties

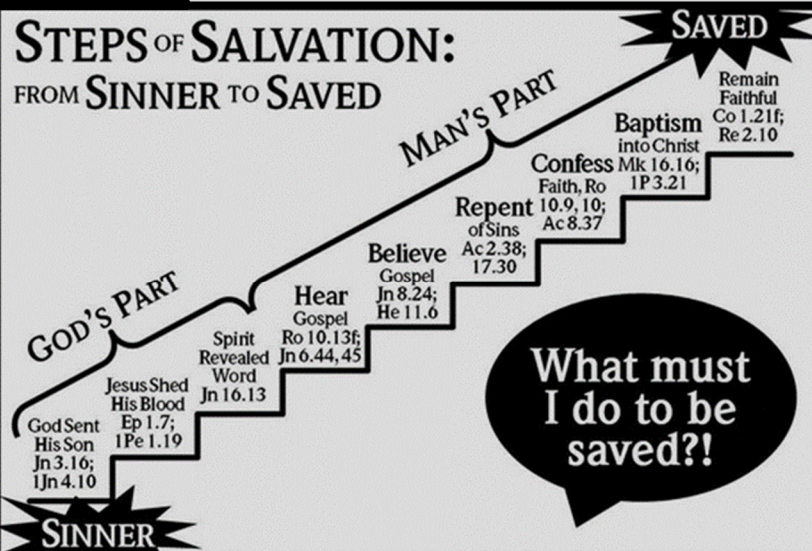
By Charles E. Burch

Worry and anxiety in our lives reveals the fact that we have not mastered complete trust in God. If we really trust God, how can we worry, fret, and fume over that which we cannot control? If we can control or change them, then we need to do so. If we can't change or control them, worrying won't help the situation at all. Yet it is easy to say this, but hard for many to practice.

The apostle Paul is a great example for those who desire to overcome anxieties. He wrote, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:13-14). Paul had some regrets, yet he put them behind him. He stated about himself, "Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious...that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief" (1 Timothy 1:13, 15). Yet he was not willing to ruin his present and darken his future by

STEPS OF SALVATION: FROM SINNER TO SAVED

"...ye were the servants of sin..."
 (Romans 6:17).



"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

mourning over mistakes and failures of the past.

To overcome anxieties, we must learn contentment. Paul said, *"Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need"* (Philippians 4:11-12). A Christian must cultivate the ability to be content. Again Paul said, *"But godliness with contentment is great gain...And having food and raiment let us be therewith content"* (I Timothy 6:6-8). It is so easy to expand the promise of our Lord to include things that He did not promise. When He said, *"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you"* (Matthew 6:33), He was speaking of the necessities of life, not all the luxuries that we have become accustomed to enjoying.

Another aid to overcoming anxieties is living one day at a time. Jesus said, *"Take 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"* (Matthew 6:34). Our worrying over future improbabilities only leads to more worry and can even lead to insanity.

We have all heard the saying, "Idle hands are the devil's workshop." The devil will do all he can to destroy our faith in God. The apostle Paul tied with the *"idle"* those who *"gossip and are busybodies"* (I Timothy 5:13).

When we do something for someone it goes a long way in relieving anxieties. One psychiatrist prescribed for one of his patients to wear himself out helping others. He showed improvement in a short time. We need to place our faith in God and know that He will take care of us. Jesus said, *"...I am with you always..."* (Matthew 28:20).

Ready to Ruin 4000 Years of Preparation

By Eric Farris

"From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day. Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee. But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men" (Matthew 16:21-23).

Some folks may think that Jesus was too hard on Peter in this instance, yet Peter knew good and well that Jesus was the Christ (cf. Matthew 16:13-17). Have you considered that Peter was fully willing to RUIN 4000 years of planning and preparation to spare Jesus of this suffering? Without realizing it, he was completely fine with dooming mankind for all eternity to spare his friend of physical anguish. Notice that Jesus uses harsh language to show how terrible this truly was—*"Get thee behind me, Satan!"*

Surely, if nothing else, we can learn how important spiritual things are and how terrible things can come from even "good intentions."

PROPHECIES OF THE KINGDOM	THE KINGDOM CAME (Acts 2)
Would come during Roman kings (Dan. 2)	The church/kingdom began on Pentecost, during Roman kings (Lk. 2:1; 3:1; 23:2; Acts 2:1, 47; 17:7)
Would come in Jerusalem (Isa. 2; Lk. 24:49; 1 Tim. 3:15)	The church/kingdom came in Jerusalem (Acts 2:5, 47)
Would come with power (Mk. 9:1; Lk. 24:49); With power from the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8; cf. Joel 2:28-32)	Power of Holy Spirit came the day the church/kingdom began (Acts 2:1-4, 16-18, 38, 39, 47)
Would be received after Jesus returned to Heaven (Dan. 7:13, 14)	The church/kingdom began after Jesus' ascension (Acts 1:10, 11; 2:1-47)
Was "at hand" when Jesus was on earth (Mt. 3:2; 4:17; 10:7; 16:18, 19, 28; Mk. 9:1; Lk. 10:9; 17:20, 21; Jn. 18:36)	Was in existence as the church from Pentecost onward (Acts 2:47; Col. 1:13; Heb. 12:22, 23, 28; Rev. 1:9)