

From The Pastor's Pen

Strangled by Worry I Peter 5:7

To worry is to "give way to anxiety or unease; allow one's mind to dwell on difficulty or troubles." The word itself comes from the Old English wyrgan, which means to strangle or to seize by the throat. We've all felt pressure squeezing us like we are being strangled. We have brothers and sisters in our congregation fighting medical issues, financial issues, psychological issues.

Let me give you a simple definition. Worry is excessive concern over the affairs of life. The key is the word "excessive." Worry happens when you are so concerned about the problems of life that you think of nothing else. It is an all-consuming feeling of uncertainty and fear.

And it is a sin. Worry is a sin for two reasons: *First, because it displaces God*. When you commit the sin of worry, you are

Church Events

- May 6th Christian Men's Fellowship
- May 14th Material Girls Quilt Guild
- May 15th Prayer Shawl
 Ministry
- May 20th Board Meeting
- May 21st Elder's Meeting
- May 21st Missions Meeting

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living as though God did not exist. You are living as though you alone can solve your problems.

Second, because it Distracts you from the things that really mater in life. As long as you are worrying, you can't accomplish what God desires for your life. You are strangled by worry.

How can we tell when the legitimate concerns of life have become sinful worries? Here are three practical guidelines. You are probably well into worry...

- 1. When the thing you are concerned about is the first thing you think about in the morning and the last thing you think about at night.
- 2. When you find yourself thinking about it during every spare moment.
- 3. When you find yourself bringing it up in every conversation.

Here is God's answer to our worries, stated in one verse tucked away near the end of Peter's first epistle. This is 1 Peter 5:7 from different translations.

- "Casting all your cares on him, because he cares for you". (NKJ)
- "Throw all your anxieties upon him, because he cares about you" (CJB).
- "You can throw the whole weight of your anxieties upon him, for you are his personal concern" (Phillips).

"Live carefree before God; he is most careful with you" (MSG).

"Since God cares for you, let him carry all your burdens and worries" (Voice).

God said it. Let's do it! Let's cast our cares on him and not worry!

Love ya

Pastor Herder

LAKEVIEW CHRISTIAN CAMP SCHEDULE

lakeviewchristiancamp.org

1st & 2nd Grades July 5-6

3rd Grades July 1-4

4th Grade June 27-30

5th Grade June 17-22

6th Grade July 8-13

7th & 8th Grades June 10-15

9th - 12th Grades June 3-8

Challenge Camp July 15-20

(Challenge camp is a more in depth camp for grades 7th thru 9th)

CONGRADULATION TO OUR GRADUATES.

You have each reached a milestone in your life time preparation. As your pastor I would like to encourage you to take the time to seek the Lord and ask Him what He would have you do with the rest of your life. Scripture says "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding, but in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your path." Proverbs 3:5-6

We are proud of each and every one of you. Would you be so kind as to come to Church on May 6th with or without cap and gown and share with your church family what your plans are for the future and allow us to pray with you and to give you our encouragement and blessings. Thanks. Look forward to seeing you on May 6th at 9:30 AM.

Pastor Herder

2018 GRADUATES

HIGH SCHOOL	8TH GRADE
Quinton Conrad	Caitlyn Cheney
Kirk Coomes	Jeremy Ford
Gracie Dibble	Joel Ford
Jordan F <mark>ord</mark>	Emma Hunnacutt
Jaiden Jansonius	COLLEGE
Dak <mark>ota Johnson</mark>	Tanner Aherin
Jacey Kellerman	
Samantha Prewitt	
Nathan Tedford	



I want to say thanks to those who have helped us along the way through our journey through life and for the well wishes and prayers and for the card.

Carla Fleming

BACCALAUREATE

Baccalaureate will be held Wednesday, May 2nd at 6:00 pm at the Logan United Methodist Church. Reverend Sarah Rudd will be the speaker.

MAY MEMORY SCRIPTURE

For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

MAY BIRTHDAYS

01	Alexander Minkler	18	John Jarvis
04	Anita <mark>Elliott</mark>	19	Kyla Vrbas
06	Marie Robinson	20	Dylan Means
06	Kerry Kellerman	21	Dustin Aherin
07	Emma Hunnacutt	21	Amy Griffith
07	Tracy Hunnacutt	22	Fred Robinson
07	Tyler Thomas	24	Larry Prewitt
08	Philip Bauer	24	Jordan Imel
09	Mary Heersink	26	David Hindman
09	Wanda McConnell	28	Donna Jarvis
10	Cody Jarvis	29	Hendrix Jarvis
10	Lois Runion	31	Ashley Thomas
18	Danielle Ghormly	31	Clark Hopson
18	Derek Rowland	31	Darlene Imm

APRIL OFFERING

01	\$3,778.00
08	\$3,233.50
15	\$1,678.00
22	\$3,209.00
29	unavailable

\$2,596.15 to meet our budget.
Please pray about your giving.

Remember, you cannot

out-give God.



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