

RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS

MATTHEW 6:25-34

JESUS COUNSELS THE ANXIOUS

THE DEVIL'S CALENDAR SAYS "TOMORROW"
BUT GOD'S CALENDAR SAYS "TODAY"



Worry > Anxiety > Stress

- Not biological but spiritual
- Not thinking but overthinking
- Not one-off but lifelong

Biblical answer?



Look at God's creation,
listen to God's questions,
rest in God's care and control,
and follow God's priorities
to enjoy peace instead of worry.



**Jesus counsels
with creation**

- Study the birds
- Study the flowers

PANIC SEES A GODLESS WORLD.
PEACE SEES A GOD-FILLED WORLD.

What about my questions?



**Jesus counsels
with questions**

- How balanced are you?
- How valuable are you?
- How powerful are you?
- How important are you?
- How pagan are you?

PANIC ASKS GOD QUESTIONS.
PEACE LISTENS TO GOD'S QUESTIONS.

What about some answers?



**Jesus counsels
with care and control**

- I'm your Father
- I'm your King

PANIC TRUSTS HUMAN CONTROL,
PEACE TRUSTS GOD'S CONTROL

What can I do now?



**Jesus counsels
with priorities**

- Prioritize God's Kingdom
- Prioritize today

THE DEVIL'S TO-DO LIST STARTS
WITH YOUR KINGDOM.
GOD'S TO-DO LIST STARTS
WITH HIS KINGDOM

Action?

