#### CAN YOU NAVIGATE THE DIFFICULTIES OF LIFE?

We need a great teacher
We need a great Savior!
Jesus is that one and only person who will accomplish both needs!

# THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, OR, NAVIGATING LIFE

Learning the Christian <u>'walk'</u>
Growing in our <u>faith</u>
Getting closer to <u>Jesus</u>

#### SOTM LESSON 9: WHAT ME WORRY?

- What or whom is most *important?*Can I *trust God* to (or for) . . . .
- Living without worry or fear = <u>peace</u>

## MATTHEW 6.19-34, NIV

 <sup>19</sup> "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. • <sup>22</sup> "The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. <sup>23</sup> But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness!

 <sup>24</sup> "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.  <sup>25</sup> "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? <sup>27</sup> Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?

 <sup>28</sup> "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. <sup>29</sup> Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you you of little faith? • <sup>31</sup> So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' <sup>32</sup> For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup> Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

## WHAT ME WORRY?

• Last week: The *Lord's Prayer* 

• Give us this day our *daily bread* 

WHAT ME WORRY?

Your treasure is <u>where?</u>
 The <u>Eye</u>
 Who is your <u>master?</u>
 4 <u>do not worry's</u>

## 1. YOUR TREASURE IS WHERE?

- Memory verse??
- What you value you <u>take care of</u>
- What would onlookers say you <u>value most?</u>
   Or FB followers?

## 2. THE <u>EYE</u>

The eye is the <u>lamp</u> of the body
What you <u>focus on</u> makes all the difference

• We are the most *visually stimulated* generation ever

#### HEBREWS 12

 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup> fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

 For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

#### 3. WHO IS YOUR MASTER?

No one can serve <u>two masters</u>
The 'master' is the one who <u>controls your life</u>
It doesn't make a lot of sense to say we will serve <u>God in heaven</u> if we cannot serve Him <u>here and now</u>

## 4.4 <u>DO NOT WORRY'S</u>

1.(25)do not worry about your *life,* what you will <u>eat or</u> <u>drink</u>; or about your body, what you will <u>wear.</u>

2.(28)"And why do you worry about *clothes?* 

3.(31)So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we <u>eat?</u>' or 'What shall we <u>drink?'</u> or 'What shall we <u>wear?</u>'

4.<sup>(34)</sup> Therefore do not worry about *tomorrow* 

#### PHILIPPIANS 4.19-20

<sup>19</sup> And my God will meet <u>all your</u> <u>needs</u> according to the <u>riches</u> of his glory in Christ Jesus.
<sup>20</sup> To our God and Father be <u>glory</u> for ever and ever. Amen.