

Closer to God Series
Cast Your Care on Him
01/24/10

Text:

1 Peter 5:7

Thesis:

If we trust and have faith in God we will be able to cast our care on Him. Without faith and trust we are simply on our own.

Reading

Psalm 5:11-12

Discussion:

- I) We do not humble ourselves to things we do not trust.
- a) Peter tells us to humble ourselves before God (1 Peter 5:6).
 - 1) We do not trust where we find fault
 - 2) Satan uses the tool of misdirection to cause us to find fault with God.
 - (i) If God is love, why is there evil?
 - (ii) If there is a God, why hasn't He answered my prayer?
 - (a) Selfish Prayer (James 4:3)
 - (b) Sometimes God says wait (Genesis 18:9-15).
 - (c) Sometimes God says NO! (2 Samuel 12:13-20).
 - (d) Misdirection is a lethal tool used by Satan to destroy our trust and cause us to find fault with God.
 - b) Sometimes it is simply a power struggle.
 - 1) Genesis 3 tells us about "that old serpent" also called Satan and the Devil by Revelation 20:2.
 - (i) Satan's purpose is to deceive and break our relationship with God.
 - (ii) John 8:44 calls him the father of lies.
 - (iii) Revelation 12:10 calls him our accuser.
 - 2) Jesus said (Luke 10:18)
 - 3) Are you struggling against God?
 - 4) Psalms 20:7
- II) Cast(ing)
- a) To cause to move or send forth by throwing.
 - b) Casting fish bait or nets
 - c) Casting things to God:
 - d) Will I please Him by demonstrating my faith and casting my care upon Him?
- III) Our Care
- a) Family
 - 1) Spouses
 - (i) Colossians 3:19
 - (ii) Titus 2:4
 - (iii) Pray for our spouses.
 - 2) Children
 - (i) Children need discipline (Proverbs 13:24)
 - (ii) Avoid unfair discipline (Colossians 3:21)
 - (iii) Help your children with their future (2 Corinthians 12:14)
 - (iv) Pray for our children.
 - 3) Parents

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- (i) Colossians 3:20
 - (ii) Ephesians 6:2
 - (iii) Pray for our parents.
 - b) Living
 - 1) Money
 - (i) Security (Matthew 24:43)
 - (ii) Work (2 Thessalonians 3:10)
 - (iii) Love (1 Timothy 6:10)
 - (iv) Pray for Balance
 - 2) Comfort
 - (i) Food
 - (ii) Clothes
 - (iii) Housing
 - (iv) Hebrews 13:5
 - c) Health
 - 1) Sleep (Proverbs 6:10-11)
 - 2) Exercise / Diet (1 Timothy 4:8)
 - d) Worrying over “Our Cares” to the extreme profits none (Matthew 6:24-33).
 - e) Peter challenges us to Trust and have Faith in God and Cast Our Care Upon Him.... WHY?
- IV) He Cares for Us.**
- a) We found last week that we are not faces in the crowd for God Knows Us.
 - b) Matthew 11:28-30