The season of Spring has come in with a shout! It is certainly a beautiful time of the year and one in which we can praise our God for the colors and new life of the trees, grass, flowers, etc. But it has also brought some problems for many of us in the allergies and other related difficulties! However, we have lived through these times before, and we pray that we shall, with the help of God, be successful in living through this time again. We are reminded of what one man said about his favorite passage in the Bible, “It came to pass . . . .”

One thing for sure, we are closer to the end of life than we have ever been. The promises of God and Christ are real and comforting to the Christian! Since we know they are faithful in all, and cannot lie, we look forward with anticipation to the fulfillment of these promises. We realize that there is a divine side and a human side of salvation. God provides through His only begotten Son the means of forgiveness through His blood and that this is the divine side of salvation. But we must realize that the Hebrews writer says, “Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him (Heb. 5:8-9).” Have you obeyed Him by hearing His Word and establishing faith in your mind, repentance in turning away from sin, public confession of your faith in Christ, and being baptized for the remission of your sins? This is the plan for all. Jesus in the Great Commission said, “Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be dammed (Mk. 16:15-16).” The poet said, “To thine own self be true, and as the night follows the day, Thou can’t not be false to any man.”
God’s Remedy for Worry

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In 1993 there was a book written and published entitled “Listening To Prozac.” Twenty years later, people are not only reading about Prozac they are taking it and other anti-depressants (Celexa, Effexor, Paxil, Zoloft, to name just a few) at astounding rates. The numbers of prescriptions written have increased 400% in that time.

Many times these medicines are taken to help people cope with worry. Did you know that God has a remedy to help us when we worry? In Philippians 4:4-7, Paul shares three remedies needed to help cope when worry creeps into our life.

REJOICE IN THE LORD. “Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice” (Philippians 4:4). Not only does Paul mention this idea of rejoice once, he mentions it twice. Despite the circumstances that take place in life, Paul is saying do not allow them to rob you of your joy that you have in the Lord. Remember: you have been washed in the blood of Christ, and there is a crown that is waiting for you if you will remain faithful (Revelation 1:5; 2:10).

REVEAL YOUR MODERATION. “Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand” (Philippians 4:5). On one occasion I can recall someone saying that revealing our moderation means “to act like you should.” Growing up, I remember my mother constantly reminding me, “Remember who you are.” Regardless of what happens in life, I am to act like a Christian, one of God’s children (Matthew 5:14-16; I Peter 2:21).

REMEMBER TO PRAY. “Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God (Philippians 4:6). When problems come our way, and we know they will, do not forget to pray (I Peter 5:7).

In conclusion, the following verse says, “And the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:7). Worry robs us of our peace. Let’s remember that if we will 1) Rejoice in the Lord, 2) Reveal Our Moderation, and 3) Remember To Pray, we can have the peace that passes all of our understanding.
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Sunday BC: Lessons Learned From The Bereans
Sunday AM: One Last Sermon
Sunday PM: The Cross
Monday: The Place Called Heaven
Tuesday: The Place Called Hell
Wednesday: Is It Possible To Shipwreck Our Faith?

SUNDAY: Bible Study  9:30 A.M.
Worship  10:20 A.M.
Singing Each Evening  6:30 P.M.
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