

Wisdom Not Worry

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Matthew 6:25-26

“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 important than food and the body more important than cloths? Look at the birds of the air; they do not so or reap or store away in barns and yet your heaven Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?”

When confronted with uncertainty what is your default, feelings or facts? What leads, how you *feel* or what you *know*? In these uncertain times, Jesus offers much needed advice - Don't let your feelings get the best of you. After commanding us not to worry, Jesus says, “Look” or as better versions translate, “**Consider** the birds of the air.” The word is *emblepo* which means to “look at carefully with the mind, to discern clearly.” With the “feeling” masses emptying Costco's shelves of toilet paper, how we need this Word of Wisdom. If you let your feelings lead, you will wilt under worry. Rather, consider carefully and discern clearly the facts. If Jesus cares for the two-bit birds of the air, how much more will He not care for us for whom He gave His life. I guarantee you won't see a crow in line at Costco. It has no need! If Jesus feeds the crows who “neither sow or reap or store away in barns” how much more will He not take care of us who call Him Master. Dear brothers and sisters, let the fact of our Master's perfect care lead us to a place of confidence and rest in the faithful provision of our Master today. Don't worry. Be Wise. Let the facts of His character lead you and your feelings will follow.

PS. Join me daily as we continue to “*consider*” Matthew 6:25-34 together.

Gratefully,

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