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**Study Guide**

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***(Questions and Scriptures for further study)***

1. Do you tend to worry? What about?
  
2. What exceptions do you usually make for your worries?
  
3. Is anything wrong if we do worry? How do you know?
  
4. Do you believe God’s peace can really be obtained?
  
5. Read Philippians 4:2-7. What are the four areas Paul highlights Christ’s transforming influence in verses 4:2-7?
  
6. Do you think worry is a problem in our society?
  
7. Do most of God’s people experience God’s great and glorious peace? Why or why not?
  
8. How do you personally respond to this challenge, “Be anxious for nothing?” Do you think that includes very difficult times? Isn’t worry natural?

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9. Re-read Philippians 4:6. Take a close look at verse 6. Do you think there is any place for worries? Why or why not? What does the passage say?

10. Why does Jesus say the reason for worry is our little faith? (Refer to “O men of little faith” (Matthew 6:30).

11. What is worry? Try writing a definition. Does this definition work? Worry is the preoccupation of life without taking God’s constant love and power into consideration.

12. What are the references to prayer in verse 6?

13. How is prayer different from supplication?

14. Why is it that God hears our requests?

15. How does thanksgiving fit into making our supplications? Have you done that? Is it easy or hard for you?

16. Read Philippians 4:7. How can we best describe God’s peace? Name four aspects of God’s peace from this verse.

17. What personal needs has the Holy Spirit exposed during this study? How can we pray with you about those needs? Consider memorizing John 14:27.