

# A Sovereign God and a Worry-free Response

A Biblical Response to the Corona Virus Pandemic Chris Mueller 3-22-2020

## #1 Grow saturated in God's \_\_\_\_\_

**Deuteronomy 32:39** See now that I, I am He, and there is no god besides Me; it is I who put to death and give life. I have wounded and it is I who heal, and there is no one who can deliver from My hand.

**Revelation 1:18** ...holds the keys of death and Hades.

**Hebrews 9:27** ...appoints the death of every man.

**1 Samuel 2:6-7** The Lord kills and makes alive; He brings down to Sheol and raises up. The Lord makes poor and rich; He brings low, He also exalts.

**Psalms 47:8** God reigns over the nations, God sits on His holy throne.

**Psalms 115:3** But our God is in the Heavens; He does whatever He pleases.

**Psalms 135:6** Whatever the Lord pleases, He does, in Heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps.

**1 Timothy 6:15-16** God is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

**John 9:2-3** His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was so that the works of God might be displayed in him."

**Exodus 4:11** The LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes him mute or deaf, or seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD?"

**Luke 13:4-5** "Or do you suppose that those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them were worse culprits than all the men who live in Jerusalem? I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

**Daniel 2:20-21** It is He who changes the times and the epochs; He removes Kings and establishes kings.

**Proverbs 21:1** The Kings heart is like channels of water in the hand of the Lord, God turns it wherever He wishes.

**Romans 11:36** For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

**Ephesians 1:11** All things after the counsel of His will.

### 1<sup>st</sup> There are no \_\_\_\_\_

**Romans 8:28** And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Pain has a \_\_\_\_\_

**Psalms 119:67-68, 71, 75** Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep Your Word. You are good and do good; teach me Your statutes... It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes...I know, O LORD, that Your judgments are righteous, and that in faithfulness You have afflicted me.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> God has the right to \_\_\_\_\_ your life

**Luke 6:46** Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?

**1 John 2:4** The one who says, "I have come to know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

**QUESTION: How can Christians prove to others that God is sovereign during this pandemic?**

## #2 REPENT of all \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 13:22** And the one on whom seed was sown among the thorns, this is the man who hears the word, and the worry of the world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

**Proverbs 12:25** Anxiety in a man's heart weighs it down, but a good word makes it glad.

1<sup>st</sup> A Worrier \_\_\_\_\_ God

2<sup>nd</sup> A Worrier \_\_\_\_\_ Scripture

3<sup>rd</sup> A Worrier lives by \_\_\_\_\_

4<sup>th</sup> A Worrier \_\_\_\_\_ God

5<sup>th</sup> A Worrier \_\_\_\_\_ the future

**Matthew 6:34** Do not be anxious for tomorrow; for tomorrow will care for itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

**Corrie ten Boom** Worry does not empty tomorrow of sorrows; it empties today of strength.

**QUESTION: What steps can Christians take to stop worrying during a pandemic?**

**Philippians 4:6** Be anxious for nothing.

### #3 Build \_\_\_\_\_ in your life by knowing the God of the Word

**Ephesians 1:3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.

**2 Peter 1:3** ...Seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

1<sup>st</sup> Trust God to \_\_\_\_\_

**Matthew 6:25-26** For this reason I say to you, do not be anxious for your life, as to what you shall eat, or what you shall drink; nor for your body, as to what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?

**Psalms 24:1** The earth is the Lord's and everything in it.

2<sup>nd</sup> Cast all your \_\_\_\_\_ on Christ

**1 Peter 5:7** Casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.

3<sup>rd</sup> Never forget Christ's amazing \_\_\_\_\_ for you

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**Question: Christian, how can you build greater trust in Christ during a pandemic?**

#### TAKE HOME:

**John 14:6** Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."

**Acts 4:12** There is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.

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