



1. Fearlessly _____ (v.35)

Luke 22:35 And he said to them, "When I sent you out with no moneybag or knapsack or sandals, did you lack anything?" They said, "Nothing." **36** He said to them, "But now let the one who has a moneybag take it, and likewise a knapsack. And let the one who has no sword sell his cloak and buy one. **37** For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me: 'And he was numbered with the transgressors.' For what is written about me has its fulfillment." **38** And they said, "Look, Lord, here are two swords." And he said to them, "It is enough." (ESV)

2. Wisely _____ (vv.36, 38)

3. Biblically _____ (v.37)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Matthew 6:25-34**. Why is this perspective difficult for Christians to maintain? What are some of the misconceptions that can arise from an isolated reading of this passage?
2. Read **1 Samuel 17:37**. Noting the context of this verse, how can a thoughtful assessment of your past experience of God's work in your life help you as you seek to face the future without fear or anxiety?
3. Read **Philippians 1:19-21**. How can worry and fear inhibit your service for Christ? What aspects of living for Christ in our world require courage?
4. Read **Proverbs 6:6-9; 21:5 and 24:27**. In your own words, describe how a Christian can keep the principles of Matthew 6:25-34 in view, while applying the wisdom called for in these proverbs.
5. Read **Proverbs 21:31**. Especially in light of your role as a representative of Christ in our generation, how should this verse specifically impact your prayers and your planning?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

July 22nd

Ps.36-37 & Ac.23:1-11

July 23rd

Ps.38-40 & Ac.23:12-35

July 24th

Ps.41-43 & Ac.24

July 25th

Ps.44-46 & Ac.25

July 26th

Ps.47-49 & Ac.26

July 27th

Ps.50-52 & Ac.27:1-25

July 28th

Ps.53-55 & Ac.27:26-44

July 29th

Ps.56-58 & Ac.28:1-15

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 14-30 – ***When Our Preparation Isn't Enough***

Msg. 14-32 – ***When the Task Seems Impossible***

Msg. 11-18 – ***Human Laws & Christian Conduct***

Msg. 11-19 – ***When Earthly Kingdoms Clash***

Msg. 15-08 – ***Taking Risks to Reap for Christ***

Msg. 07-21 – ***Trusting God When Your Back's Against the Wall***

Msg. 04-25 – ***A Brief Study of When God Breaks the Rules He Made***

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Scott, Stuart. ***Anger, Anxiety and Fear***. Focus Publishing, 2009.

Webster, A. and D. Cole. ***The Virtue of War: The Christian Answer to the Peace Movement***. Regina Press, 2004.

Welch, Edward. ***Running Scared: Fear, Worry and the God of Rest***. New Growth Press, 2007.

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