

"But seek ye **FIRST** the Kingdom of God, and His Righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. **Take Therefore No Thought For The Morrow:** for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." *Matthew 6:33-34 KJV*

What was your first thought this morning? Open eyes? Get up? Go to bathroom? Get a drink? Brush teeth? An unfinished chore from the previous day? An anticipated event, like Christmas morning? You may say, "Don't be ridiculous! You have to do certain things!" I agree, but your first thought? What awakens you each day? A thought of Truth or some other "thing?" Herein lies the fulcrum of the whole matter. If we do as commanded, "*meditate therein day and night...pray without ceasing,*" our thoughts will be pure and Holy. Even our dreams will please God. You say, "No one can think on God 24/7!" When you walk and talk with a companion, what occupies the focus of your thoughts? Is it not your friend and the conversation? Awareness is what God desires of His Children. "*In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths.*" If Mom is in the room, childish mischief is far less likely, because the child is aware of her. You choose to think what you think. No one forces you. What's on your mind when you fall asleep influences dreams. Satan may interject a fiery dart now and again, but you decide whether or not it stays. A professor challenged his class to remove every molecule of air from his cup without touching it. The students concluded it couldn't be done. The professor simply filled the cup with water, removing all the air. We think of other things, because we haven't "filled our cups." It's one thing to be baptized (immersed) IN the Holy Spirit, it's quite another to be filled WITH the Holy Spirit. Praying without ceasing is the essence of being filled with the Spirit. He speaks only Truth and if you're thinking something else, you are not FILLED with the Holy Spirit. God's Word is Truth and continuous meditation therein is "filling the cup." You think all the time. You never stop. Thinking is meditating. You may think meditation requires solitude and quiet, but you manage to plan your day amidst a cacophony of chaos. You converse with others while music plays and machines hum, but you can't talk to God? He's always present. Isn't it rude, to say the least, to ignore Him? Do you think of tomorrow's needs, today? "*Take, therefore, NO thought for tomorrow.*" Tomorrow may never come. We totally abdicate "*watching and waiting*" when we worry about tomorrow. Stress would simply ooze out of our lives if we'd stop thinking today about tomorrow's problems! "*Take NO thought, saying, 'What shall we eat...drink...or...be clothed?' Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. Seek ye FIRST the kingdom of God and His righteousness (Truth).*" When we cease meditating and praying to worry, we are calling God a liar! Either you trust Him or you don't. He "*is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.*" You can't watch the sunrise or view the stars and say that God isn't able. When did you last go outside in the morning? In the evening? Just, for one day, forget tomorrow, walk with God, and see what happens.



Let not tomorrow's woes impart,
A single care upon your heart,
Walk singly by your Saviour's side,
And in His Presence still abide. –CGP

Spend your time with God and your choices will always be right. "*The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord.*" If Truth occupies your thoughts, God will order your day and Bless your dreams. God never worries, because He controls everything!

"This then is the Message which we have heard of Him, and declare unto you, that God is Light, and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship (common interest) with Him, and walk in darkness, (disobey God's Word) we lie, and do not the Truth: But if we walk in the Light, as He is in the Light, we have fellowship one with another, and the Blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 John 1:5-7 KJV