



## Anxiety Bows in the Presence of Peace

I Corinthians 11:1 (NIV)

*Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ.*

- As we are in process we invite others into the process.
- Anxiety is when the “what if’s” of life spiral and grow into the “will be’s” in our heart and mind.

Matthew 6:24 (NIV)

*“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.*

- We can only be surrendered to one master.
- Anxiety reveals to us what our heart is surrendered to.
- Anxiety points to what is important to us.

Matthew 6:25-27 (NIV)

*“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 than food, and the body more than clothes? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? <sup>27</sup> Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?*

- Jesus reminds us of what is true.

Matthew 6:28-34 (NIV)

*“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. <sup>29</sup> Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ <sup>32</sup> For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. <sup>34</sup> Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.*

- You are not defined by your worry and anxiety.

The anxiety prescription (Philippians 4:6-7):

1. Pray
2. Share
3. Remember
4. Surrender
5. Repeat

- Jesus is our ever-present peace.

Philippians 4:7 (NIV)

*And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*