"A Biblical Prescription for Perpetual Peace"

(Sunday Morning November 15th, 2026)

Passage: Philippians 4:4-7

O.S. King Hezekiah Inherited a Problem From His Father, the Wicked King Ahaz

-> King Ahaz Had Enlisted the Aide of Tiglath-Pileser III, the King of Assyria

-> And So, Tiglath-Pileser III Brought His Army and Helped Deliver King Ahaz and the Southern Kingdom of Judah From Their Enemies

-> But Tiglath-Pileser's Assistance Came With a Very High Price Tag; and as a Result of This, Ahaz Became a Vassal King

-> And the Southern Kingdom of Judah Was Required to Regularly Pay Expensive Tributes to the Assyrians (Ex = Treasures From the Temple/Palace, Trained Horses)

-> King Hezekiah Wanted to Set His Nation Free From This Extortion; and So, He Built Up the Military, and He Built Fortifications in the Smaller Cities and Villages Outside of Jerusalem, and He Strengthened the City of Jerusalem (Ex = Built an Aqueduct)

-> But When He Stopped Paying the Tribute, Sennacherib (the New King of Assyria) **and His Cruel General Rabshakeh Came With Their Army, and They Broke Through the Fortifications in the Smaller Cities and Villages**

-> Now, We Need to Understand That the Assyrians Had a Huge Army; Some Have Estimated That They Had as Many as One Million Soldiers

-> The Assyrians Were Also Exceptionally Cruel; They Were the Terrorists of Their Day, and This Was Part of Their Strategy for Victory; They Wanted to be so Intimidating That Nations Would Surrender to Them w/o a Fight (Elaborate)

-> Of Course, All This Made King Hezekiah Very Anxious; and So, He Panicked

-> First, He Reached Out to Egypt for Help, and Most Bible Scholars Should Know That Egypt Represents the World or the Flesh

-> Then, King Hezekiah Apologized to the Assyrians, and He Offered a Large Tribute to King Sennacherib Which Included: 300 Talents of Silver and 300 Talents of Gold

St = Sennacherib Accepted the Tribute, But This Did Not Appease Him; He Sent Three of His Officers to Demanded an Unconditional Surrender, and They Told the People of Judah What Was About to Happen to Them if They Didn't

-> **And It Was at This Point That the Prophet Isaiah Rebuked King Hezekiah, and He Said This; He Said,**

"1 'Woe to the rebellious children,' declares the Lord, 'Who execute a plan, but not Mine, and make an alliance, but not of My Spirit, in order to add sin to sin; 2 Who proceed down to Egypt without consulting Me, to take refuge in the safety of Pharaoh and to seek shelter in the shadow of Egypt!" (Isa 30:1-2)

-> **I Especially Want You to Notice That He Rebuked King Hezekiah for Not Seeking the Lord in Prayer "*…without consulting Me…*" That Was Part of the Indictment**

-> **And the Prophet Isaiah Added This Statement, Listen Carefully, "*For thus the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, has said, 'In repentance and rest you will be saved, in quietness and trust is your strength.'"*** (Isaiah 30:15)

Q.n = What Was the Prophet Isaiah Saying to King Hezekiah?
Ans = He Was Essentially Saying *"Learn to Rest in the Lord"*

Q.n = Now, Listen to Me Now, are You Listening?

-> **We All Need to Hear This, Because We All Have a Tendency to React in the Same Way as King Hezekiah Did When We Find Ourselves in an Intimidating Situation**

-> **It is Not Uncommon for Us to Lose Our Peace and to Panic; It is Not Uncommon for Us to Try to Solve the Problem on Our Own and to Seek Out a Worldly Solution**

-> **And as a Result of This, We Only Make the Problem a Lot Worse, and We Soon Discover That We are in Way Over Our Head**

-> **And So, We All Need to be Reminded to do Two Things When We are Facing an Intimidating Situation: First, to <u>Pray</u>; and Second, to <u>Rest</u> in the Lord**

-> **If We Will Learn to do This, the Bible Says That Our Anxiety Will be Replaced With the Perpetual Peace of God**

T.S. The Perpetual Peace of God is What This Passage of Scripture is All About

-> **And So, With This in Mind, I Have Divided This Sermon Into Three Parts**

I. This Peace Comes to Those Who Have a <u>Sovereign</u> <u>Perspective</u>

1) This Involves a Knowledge of Our <u>Position</u>

vs 4 (Read)

-> I Want to Draw Your Attention to That Phrase *"in the Lord,"* Because That is the Key Phrase When It Comes to Having Perpetual Peace and Joy in Our Lives

-> Paul Commanded All of Us Who are Christians to *"Rejoice in the Lord*" and to do So in All Circumstances; That is Why He Used the Word *"Always"*

-> AND, I Want You to Know That He Even Repeated It; He Said, *"…again I will say rejoice;"* and So, That Eliminates Every Possible Objection (Elaborate)

-> Those Three Words *"in the Lord"* are the Key to It All, Because These Remind All of Us Who are Christians of Our Spiritual Position

-> And Our Knowledge of Our Spiritual Position, Paul Clearly Tells Us, Should Cause Us to Experience Constant and Demonstrative Peace and Joy

-> For You See, This Should Remind All of Us of the Fact That We Have Been Chosen by God and Called by God to Accomplish Some Specific Purposes in This World

-> Therefore, All of the Events and Circumstances That God Allows to Come Upon All of Us Who are Christians are Under His Control and are a Part of His Divine Plan

-> That is Why Paul Said This in *Romans 8:28;* He Said, *"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"*

-> Now, That Verse Does Not Say That Everything That Happens to Us in Life is Going to be Good, But Rather, That God Causes Everything to Work Together for Good

-> And, It Also Says That It is All *"...according to His purpose…"*

-> So, I Want You to Let This Sink in for Just a Moment; for You See, This Means That Every Problem You are Currently Facing Has Come With Your Zip Code on It

-> Or to Put It Another Way, if God Could Not Use That Problem for His Purposes, He Would Never Have Allowed It to Happen to You in the First Place

St = Paul, in Fact, Would Have Been the First to Admit That Everything in His Life Had Not Gone the Way That He Had Planned or Hoped That It Would

-> And I Can Prove That to You by Having You Turn to *Romans 15:30-33 (Read)*

-> I Want You to Notice That Paul Came to Rome But Not in the Way That He Had Hoped to; in Fact, It Appeared as if God Had Not Answered His Prayer

-> But Now, He Was Rejoicing, Because He Knew That God Was Using Him to Reach Some of the Members of the Praetorium Guard and Even Some in Caesar's Household

-> Everything Had Not Worked Out in the Way Paul Had Hoped, But His Heart Was Still Full of Joy and Peace

Q.n = Why Did Paul Still Have a Heart Full of Joy and Peace?
Ans = Because He Was Aware of His Position

-> For You See, Paul Knew That He Was *"in Christ",* and That Meant That Christ Had a Divine <u>Purpose</u> That He Intended to Accomplish in and Through His Life

-> And That Plan Could Not be Hindered or Thwarted No Matter What Happened

-> This is What Enabled Paul to Experience Perpetual Joy and Peace in His Heart Even at the Twilight of His Life

-> Even as His Life and His Years of Apparent Productivity Were Drawing to a Close

-> You See, This Was Not Some Young Preacher in the Pollyanna Days of His Ministry Who Had Never Encountered Difficulty; This Was a Seasoned Veteran of the Cross

-> And Yet, He Could Say, Without Equivocation, I Have Constant Joy in My Heart and a Sense of Perpetual Peace, Because I Know That God Has Used Me in the Past, and He Will Use Me in the Future

Q.n = Was Paul Right?
Ans = Absolutely

-> In Fact, We Should Know That He Was Right, Because We're Studying These Verses That He Wrote While He Was Sitting in That Roman Prison (Elaborate)

T.S. 1) This Involves a Knowledge of Our Position

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2) This Involves a Knowledge of God's <u>Promises</u>

vs 5 (Read)

-> Now, I Want You to Notice That Phrase *"The Lord is Near,"* Because This is Another Reminder of God's Sovereignty

-> This Reminds Us of the Fact That Our Lord's Second Coming is Near, and It Also Reminds Us of the Fact That He is Here Now; He is Present With Us at All Times

-> **Jesus Closed Out the Great Commission by Saying *"…and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*** (Matt 28:20)

-> **And the Writer of Hebrews Said This in *Hebrews 13:5;* He Said, *"Make sure that your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said*** (Listen Now), ***'I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU,"***

Q.n = That's Good News, Isn't It?

-> **It Tells Me That While I May Not Have a Lot of Money or Financial Security; I Still Have the Lord, and He is More Than Capable of Meeting All of My Needs**

Ex = So, When People Tell Me That the Stock Market Might Crash, I Might be a Little Bit Concerned About That, But I Don't Need to Worry About That Because I Still Have the Lord and He is Still on His Throne

-> **And He Still is THE LORD** (Can I Get a Witness This Morning?)

Ex. The Bible is Filled, by the Way, With Numerous Stories of How Those Great Men and Women of God Found Peace by Remaining <u>Focused</u> on the Sovereignty of God

. Joseph Found Peace Even While He Was in Shackles in a Prison in Egypt, Because He Had Placed His Trust in God's Word (Psalms 105:18-19)

. David Found Peace Even Though His Wife and Children Had Been Taken Captive by the Amalekites and His Soldiers Were Threatening to Mutiny and to Kill Him

-> We are Told in *1 Samuel 30:6,* and I Love This, That David *"…encouraged himself in the Lord…"*

. Simon Peter Was Able to Sleep Soundly on the Night Before He Was Supposed to be Executed, Because He Trusted in the Lord's Promise (Elaborate) (Acts 12:7)

Ill: There are Many in Our Day and Time Who Tend to Worry About Three Things: Their Fitness, Their Finances and Their Future (Am I Right? Shake Your Head...)

-> **Well, I Want You to Know That These are Age Old Worries and Concerns, in Fact, People in Jesus' Day Worried About These Same Things, and They Had Some Better Reasons to be Worried About Them Than We Do** (E...They Lived From Day to Day)

-> **For God's People to Worry, However, is a Sin, and That is Why Our Lord Rebuked These People in *Matt 6:31-32;* Jesus Said,**

"31 Do not worry then, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear for clothing?' "32 For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things."

-> Now Listen, That is a Rebuke; for You See, Jesus Was Essentially Saying This

-> Jesus Was Saying That, When One of His Own Worries About Their Fitness, and Their Finances, and Their Future, They are Acting Just Like an Unbeliever

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App: We Need to Remember That Our God is Sovereign, and That He Cares About Everything That is Happening in Our Lives

-> In Fact, the Bible Says That He Even Knows the Exact Number of Hairs Upon Our Head (Matt 10:30)

-> And That It is *"in Him"* Meaning *"in Jesus"* That We Live and Move and Have Our Being (Acts 17:28)

-> We Need to Remember These Kinds of Things so That We Can Give All of Our Worries and Concerns Over to Him and Accept His Perpetual Peace in Return

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T.S. I. This Peace Comes to Those Who Have a Sovereign Perspective

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II. This Peace Comes to Those Who Have a <u>Sweet</u> <u>Personality</u>

vs 5 (Read)

1) This Involves a <u>Character</u> That is Defined

-> This Word That is Translated as *"Gentle"* in the NASV Can Also be Translated as the Word *"Forbearance"* or as *"A Yielding Spirit,"* or Perhaps, Best Translated as *"a Sweet <u>Reasonableness</u>"*

-> This Refers to Someone Who Has Been Delivered From Having to Have Their Personal Rights Upheld in Every Situation

Q.n = Now, Does This Mean That We Should Always Give in Even on Matters of Principle?
Ans = Of Course Not

-> The Apostle Paul Certainly Did Not Give *"Forbearance"* to False Teachers

-> In *Gal 1:8,* He Said, *"But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed!"*

-> Paul Didn't Have a Sweet and Reasonable Spirit Towards Those Who Propagate a False Religious System

-> But Within the Church, Paul Often Saw the Need to Encourage People to be Humble and More Reasonable Towards One Another

-> In Fact, We Have an Example of That Right Here in This Chapter - *Verse 2 (Read)*

-> Since Their Names are Hard to Pronounce, I've Heard Some Preachers Call These Two Women *"You Odorous"* and *"Soon Touchy"*

-> These Two Otherwise Godly Women Had Apparently Become Locked Into a Battle of Wills, and Neither One of Them Was Willing to Give Up Any Ground

-> As a Result, the Peace in That Church Was in Jeopardy, and I'm Sure That Their Personal Peace Had Long Since Disappeared

-> And So, This Was a Word for Them, and It is a Word for You and for Me if We Have the Same Tendency to be Unreasonable With Other People

St = Now, When You Stop to Think About It, It Really Should Not be That Hard for Us to Understand Why Paul Described This as a Prerequisite for Perpetual Peace

-> Because Listen, if You Encounter Every Situation and Every Confrontation With Every Other Person With the Idea That Every One of Them is a Win or Lose Proposition, You're Sitting Yourself Up for a Lot of Disappointment

-> And a Strong Personal Relationship With the Lord Ought to Enable All of Us to Rise Above That

-> **A Strong Personal Relationship With the Lord Should Enable Us to do What Paul Encouraged Us to do in *Philippians 2:4* When He Said, *"do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others"***

-> **Or to Behave as Paul Encouraged Us to Behave in *Romans 12:16* When He Said, *"Do not be wise in your own estimation"***

-> **There are Times, When We Might as Well Admit That We Can Think That We are Soooo Right When We are in Fact Soooo Wrong**

-> **And Yet, Some of Us Will Hold on to Our Position Tenaciously, and We Will Never Even Stop to Consider the Issue From Another Person's Point of View**

-> ***"Don't be so Insistent That You are Always Right"* That's What Paul is Saying *"Try to Walk a Mile or Two in That Other Man's Sandals"* That's the Point**

-> **If We Want to Experience the Perpetual Peace of God in Our Life, Paul Says, in Essence, That We Need to Develop This Kind of Disposition in Our Life**

-> **And We Need to be Humble Enough to Yield to the Desires of Others Sometimes**

Ill: It's Like the Story I Heard of a Man Who's Marriage Was in Trouble; So, He Went to See a Marriage Counselor, and This is What the Marriage Counselor Said to Him; He Said,

"My Advice is Very Simple, the Next Time You Get Into an Argument With Your Wife, I Want You to Find a Way to Lose It" (Some of Us Might Need to Hear That)

T.S. 1) This Involves a Character That is Defined

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2) This Involves a <u>Concern</u> That is Directed

-> Paul Made This Even More Challenging for Us by Inserting Those Two Words *"All Men"*

-> It Should Not be as Difficult for Us to Have a *"Sweet and Reasonable Attitude"* in an Environment Where Everyone Else Has Been Encouraged to Have a "*Sweet and Reasonable Attitude"* - But Paul's Advice Goes Beyond That

-> He Encourages Us to Have a Sweet and Reasonable Attitude Towards Everyone, Even Non-Believers

-> His Advice Here is Similar to the Advice That the Apostle Peter Gave to Us in *1 Pet 2:18* When He Said, *"Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable"*

-> Whether It is the Clerk Who Takes Too Long to Check Out Your Groceries, or the Fast Food Worker Who Got Your Order Wrong, or the Neighbor Kid Who Accidentally Threw His Baseball Through Your Window

-> Paul Says That Our Life Needs to be Characterized by a Sweet and Reasonable Attitude Towards <u>Everyone</u> if We Want to Continue to Enjoy the Peace of God

Q.n = Now, Why do You Think It Was Necessary for Paul to Say This?

-> I Think It Was Necessary Because Some People in Our World are Wound Up Tighter Than a Swiss Watch, and They Allow Every Little Inconsequential Thing to Become a Monumental Issue

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Ill: Many Years Ago, for Example, When I the Pastor of a Church in Round Rock Texas, I Decided to Take a Scenic Drive Back to My Church One Afternoon (E...)

Pt = A Person With a Disposition Like That, Who Gets Seriously Upset Over Trivial Things, is Never Going to be Able to Enjoy This Peace That God Has Made Available to Us

-> And Unfortunately, There are Some Christians Who Have This Kind of Combative Spirit; and Consequently, They are Not Enjoying the Perpetual Peace of God

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T.S. I. This Peace Comes to Those Who Have a Sovereign Perspective
II. This Peace Comes to Those Who Have a Sweet Personality

III. This Peace Comes to Those Who Have <u>Specific</u> <u>Petitions</u>

vs 6-7 (Read)

1) This Involves a Comprehensive <u>Prohibition</u>

-> These Two Verses are so Important as They Relate to This Subject That I Think Every Christian Ought to Commit Them to Memory

-> And This is Really Right at the Very Heart, Not Only of What Paul Had to Say to Us About Worry or Anxiety, But Also What Jesus Had to Say to Us About It

-> Because, as I Stated Earlier, Jesus Commanded Us to Stop Being Worried About Our Finances, Our Fitness and Our Future in the Sermon on the Mount

-> Jesus Commanded Us to Stop Worrying or Being Anxious in *Matthew Chapter 6,* and Paul Commanded Us to Stop Worrying or Being Anxious Right Here

-> And in the Original Language, This Literally Means That We Need to Stop Doing Something That is Currently Taking Place

-> So, This Should Remind Us of the Fact That Being *"Worried"* or *"Anxious"* is More Than Just a Bad Habit; It is a <u>Sin</u>; It is More Than a Weakness; It is a <u>Wickedness</u>

-> And This Word Literally Means *"To Pull Apart"* or *"To Strangle or Choke"*

-> Which is Exactly What *"Worry"* or *"Anxiety"* Does, It Causes Us to Have a Divided Mind; It Chokes Us, and It Hinders Our Ability to Think Clearly

-> In Fact, *"Worry"* or *"Anxiety"* Could Cause You to Totally Miss Everything That I'm Teaching This Morning

-> Because Jesus, on One Occasion Said This; He Said, "*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"* (Matt 13:22)

-> And That is Why This is a Comprehensive Prohibition, in Fact, I Need to Point Out That in the Greek Language the Word *"Nothing"* Literally Means *"Nothing"* (Isn't That Profound?)***;*** **It Means That We are to be Anxious About *"No Thing"***

T.S. 1) This Involves a Comprehensive Prohibition

2) This Involves a Comprehensive <u>Admonition</u>

-> Next Paul Tells Us That We Should Bring Everything to God in Prayer, and This Literally Means *"Every Little Thing"* – Nothing is to be Excluded

-> In Other Words, if It is Big Enough for Us to be Worried About, It is Big Enough for Us to Pray About; and Then, We Have Four Different Words for Prayer Listed Here

. The First One That is Translated as the Word *"Prayer"* in My Bible is a General Word for Offering Up Our *"Desires"* to God; It Could be Translated as *"a Petition"*

. The Second Word Which is Translated as the Word *"Supplication"* Comes From a Word That Means *"To Make an Entreaty"* and the Verb Form of This

Word Refers to *"a Want"* or *"a Need"*

. The Third Word *"Thanksgiving"* is Self-Explanatory, But It Includes the Word *"With"* Which is a Subtle Reminder That All of Our Prayers Should be Accompanied With a Spirit of Gratitude

. And the Fourth Word *"Requests"* Refers to Specific Items That We Might Have on Our Prayer Agenda

-> So, Listen, We Essentially Have *"Desires"* and *"Needs"* and *"Other Specific Items"* All Being Lifted Up to God in Prayer With an Attitude of *"Gratitude"*

-> I Heard Dr. Charles Swindoll Say This One Time, and I Think He Did a Good Job of Capturing the Meaning of These Verses When He Said It

-> Dr. Swindoll Simply Said, *"Don't Worry About Anything But Pray About Everything"* (I Want You to Say That With Me This Morning)

-> Listen, That is the Best Prescription for Perpetual Peace That is in Existence, and That is Why These Two Verses Come to My Mind Every Single Day (Elaborate)

Q.n = Now, Why are We Encouraged to Bring All of Our Prayers Under This Umbrella of Gratitude?
Ans = Because This Will Cause Us Again to Recognize God's Sovereignty in Every Situation

-> And the Great News is That This Will Release Us From Our *"Worry"* or *"Anxiety"*, and It Will Provide Us With the Supernatural Peace OF God (Elaborate = His Peace; the Same Peace God Enjoys, and This Will Guard Our *"Hearts"* and Our *"Minds"*)

Ill: I Want to Get Back to This Situation That King Hezekiah Found Himself Facing, Because the Good News is That He Started Taking the Prophet Isaiah's Advice

-> And Because He Started Seeking the Lord in Prayer, Isaiah Told Him That God Would Cause Sennacherib and His General Rabshakeh to End Their Siege of Jer.m

-> In *2 Kings 19:7*, Isaiah Said, *"Behold, I will put a spirit in him* (Sennacherib) ***so that he will hear a rumor and return to his own land…"* and That is Exactly What Happened**

-> But Before He Left, Sennacherib's General Rabshakeh Sent a Threatening Letter to King Hezekiah Basically Saying That He Would be Back to Finish the Job

Q.n = So, Do You Know What King Hezekiah Did With That Letter?
Ans = He Took It to the Temple and He Prayed About It

-> **I Love This; It is Found in *Isaiah 37:14,* and It Says *"Then Hezekiah took the letter from the hand of the messengers and read it, and he went up to the house of the Lord and spread it out before the Lord."***

Q.n = Have You Ever Gotten a Threatening Letter Before?
Ans = This is a Great Way to Handle It (Elaborate)

-> **Now, the Lord Did Not Deal With Sennacherib Immediately, But He Reassured King Hezekiah of the Fact That He Eventually Would**

-> **In *Isa 37:21-22*, the Bible Says, *"21 Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent word to Hezekiah, saying, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'Because you have prayed to Me about Sennacherib king of Assyria, 22 this is the word that the Lord has spoken against him"***

-> **The Lord Said, Among Other Things, That Not One Arrow From the Assyrians Would Reach the City of Jerusalem** (Isa 37:33) (Think About That for a Moment)

-> **Well, Sennacherib and His General Returned to Attack Jerusalem, But the Night Before They Attacked the City God Sent an Angel Who Struck Down 185,000 of the Assyrian Soldiers**

-> **And It is Interesting to See How the Scriptures Record This, We are Told in *Isaiah 37:36 "…when they arose early in the morning, behold, they were all dead…"*** (KJV) (E...That Verse Reminds Me of an Old Charlie Pride Song...)

Pt = King Hezekiah Should Never Have Panicked in the First Place; Instead, He Should Have Prayed About the Situation and Rested in the Lord; That Would Have Been a Lot Less <u>Expensive</u> and a Whole Lot More <u>Effective</u>
Invitation:

-> I Want to Close This Sermon by Simply Reminding All of Us of the Fact That God Has Given Us Many Wonderful Promises in His Word

-> **He Has Promised Us That He Will Never Leave Us or Forsake Us as I Stated Earlier, and He Has Also Promised to Give Us an Abundant Life in *John 10:10***

-> **He Promises Us in *Jeremiah 29:11* That He Has a Plan for Our Life, and That It is a Plan for Our Welfare Not for Calamity**

-> **And in *Psalms 84:11,* the Psalmist Said This, Listen, He Said, *"…No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly"*** (Ps 84:11) (NKJV)

-> **All of These Wonderful Promises and Many More Can be Found in God's Word, But They Only Apply to God's Children**

-> **And the Only Way He Can Become Your Father is if You Experience the New Birth**

-> **Now, You Could be a Non-Christian, and You Might Say *"I Don't Have a Worry in the World"***

-> **But if You Say That, I Know That You're Lying, Because You Have to be a Least a Little Bit Worried About Death; and if You're Not, You Should Be**

-> **But for Those of Us Who Have Placed Our Faith in Christ, the Writer of Hebrews Tells Us That Fear of Death Has Been Destroyed (*Hebrews 2:14-15*)**

-> **Before I Was a Christian, Death Was Frightening and Intimidating to Me; But Then, I Came to Know Jesus Christ as My Lord and Savior**

-> **And Now, Death No Longer Frightens Me; the Process Does But Not the Event**

-> **That is One Monkey That is Off My Back, Because in *John 11:25*, Jesus Said This; He Said, *"…'I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies"***

-> **Now, if You Have Not Yet Gotten That Monkey Off of Your Back, I Want to Help You to do That This Morning**

-> **And You Can do That by Receiving Jesus Christ as Your Personal Lord and Savior by Faith**