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Worry-Free

by BRIAN WARREN

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Worry in excessive amounts can take years off your life.

We live in a culture inundated with worry; whether it's family, work, school,

financial, or social pressures. It's hard to live a worry-free life, but it's not impossible! Martha and Mary, sisters who lived with their brother, Lazarus, in the town of Bethany, were close friends of Jesus. Bethany is close to the City of Peace—Jerusalem—on the east side of the Mount of Olives, and its name means “house of misery” or “poor house.” This is exactly where excessive worry tries to get us to dwell. But this was also a favourite place for Jesus and His disciples.

It was in Bethany where Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead (John 11) and where He ascended into heaven (Luke 24:50-51). Yet, we hear the account of one occasion in Luke 10:41-42 when Jesus visited Martha's house. *“Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”*

What a word for today! I can relate to Martha wanting everything to be right for Jesus, but Jesus sends a clear message regarding balance and self-care. Jesus is saying, “Calm down.” You see, Martha was so preoccupied, stressed out, and worried about superficial, non-essential things, that she was about to miss her moment with God. But Mary recognized and seized the moment, hungry for spiritual, eternal things.

Holocaust survivor Corrie ten Boom said it well: “Worry doesn't empty tomorrow of its sorrow; it empties today of its strength.” If you're ready to make a move, the road out of Bethany to Jerusalem (Peace) begins at the feet of Jesus!

Scripture is taken from the NIV.

YOUR QUESTIONS, HONEST ANSWERS

WITH PAT ROBERTSON



Can you please explain God's sovereignty?

God's sovereignty means that He is in charge of everything.

Now, the question many people ask is whether or not God controls everything. This is the tension we have to deal with each and every day.

On the one hand, God gave us our own free will. But how should we use that free will? Well, we should use it to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling. When we do that, His sovereignty—or His control—works for our good, for it is God who works in you to will and to do of His good pleasure.

He's in charge of everything. Yet at the same time, we need to do our part and use our sense of free will for His purposes.

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THEY HURT AND ARE SPIRITUALLY LOST

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As we see the escalating signs of Jesus' return in today's headlines, we also see a spirit of darkness preying on our culture—leading many into addiction, crime and emptiness. Children are growing up confused, as biblical values are mocked in media and schools.

Yet, thanks to caring partners like you, The 700 Club in Canada is shining a light in the darkness, using powerful biblical programs—and leading people to Christ!

YOU are restoring lives and saving marriages

When Yvonne and Chris began dating, they brought heavy emotional baggage. Raised in an alcoholic home, Chris wrestled with addiction. Yvonne was a victim of sexual abuse.

When she married Chris, she was a wife and mother before the end of high school—and Chris dropped out to pay bills. Trying to deaden the pain of her past, Yvonne soon joined Chris in his drug habit. Two years later, their marriage was falling apart.

One sleepless night, Yvonne was searching for something on TV when she discovered *The 700 Club*—and found the peace she craved. After praying to receive Christ, she reflected, “In my heart I knew everything was different.”



Yvonne started going to church and believed for Chris's salvation. And God answered her prayers!

Now, happily married for almost three decades. Chris says, "Once we gave ourselves to Jesus, we just totally grew together in His love!"

YOU are bringing Christ's love to your world

Jesus didn't mean that sharing the Gospel is only for ministers or television hosts. His instructions were to all of His followers.

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God (2 Corinthians 5:20 NIV).

The Apostle Paul is writing this letter to all Christians, regardless of their calling—pastors, school teachers, garbage collectors, stock brokers, parents—everyone. Everywhere. All the time. This isn't a part-time calling; it's a lifestyle!

Paul describes our destiny in Philippians 2:10-11, *At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father* (NLT).

Therefore, every day, we are compelled by love to see everyone bow their knee to Jesus and confess Him as Lord—before it's too late. May God continue to bless you as together we carry out this great mission of our King.

And YOU are doing much more!

At The 700 Club Canada, it is our passion to share the Gospel every day through our TV program, at our Superbook outreaches, on social media, and with our partner ministries. Your partnership with us means that you are sharing the Gospel too. You are helping those in need, and you are opening hearts to Jesus.

Thank you for everything you are doing!

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Becoming Like Us

by LORIE HARTSHORN

Co-Host, *The 700 Club Canada*



One of the most profound verses in the Bible says simply, *The Word [Jesus] became flesh and made his dwelling among us* (John 1:14 NIV).

Can you imagine the excruciating transformation of having absolutely no limitations, to being imprisoned inside about 170 pounds of flesh? How many times do you suppose Jesus would have liked to burst out of that tent and to unleash His awesome power? We have nothing with which to compare the confinement of an all-knowing, ever-present, all-powerful God in flesh. God's Son left a position of sympathy and for 33 years inhabited a shell of empathy, feeling what we feel, experiencing what we experience!

- He scraped His knee as a child
- He laughed with friends
- He felt pain as the hammer hit His thumb in Joseph's shop
- He experienced exhaustion
- He longed for quiet and peace
- He knew frustration
- He suffered temptation
- He knew what it was like to be used and abused!

The King of Kings and Lord of Lords became like us. He put on our clothes and our life. He was born in a stable, raised by a poor carpenter, teased by his brothers, deserted by His friends, insulted by the courts, mocked, beaten, stripped, bruised, then crucified.

To us this makes no sense. To God it was the only thing that made sense.

So that He could restore a love relationship with us!

God's heart is still the same today. He desires to make His dwelling in you.

May you be reminded today what a great and indescribable gift it is to have a God who loves us, comes for us, and desires to dwell in us. The Gospel is beautiful. Share it with someone today.

Scripture is taken from the NIV.



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THE SOURCE OF GOODNESS

Jordan had been an atheist since childhood, but her belief that she was a good person led her to wonder where goodness came from. This took her on a quest that could only lead her to one place. Watch and see her amazing story of discovery.



A SECOND CHANCE

Herman and April's marriage was like an extension of their courtship—until the pressures of being parents to twins changed their focus and they stopped investing in each other. With the divorce papers signed, they felt like there was no hope—but don't miss how their story turns out.



SEARCHING FOR ACCEPTANCE

Always craving the attention he never got from his father, Robert sought it both on the basketball court, and then later, as a model. Yet, none of it filled the void within. It wasn't until a devastating accident and trip to Japan that Robert met someone who changed his life. You won't want to miss his message.

BE ENCOURAGED AND INSPIRED BY THESE SPECIAL GUESTS



SHIREEN SPENCER

Shireen is a minister, speaker and author of a new book *Big Challenges, Even Bigger God*. She desires every area of her life to point others to the love and greatness of God.



CURTIS HARTSHORN

Curtis grew up in a Christian home, but grew bitter and rebelled against Jesus through drugs, partying, death metal, and the occult. At a point of desperation he repented, turned back to Christ, and began to live for Him. Curtis is currently the founding pastor of The Great Exchange—a ministry that aims to ignite revival and start a disciple-making movement that transforms Canada and covers the earth.



ANDREW BLACKWOOD

Andrew, also known as Coach Drew, is a registered psychotherapist, life coach, worship leader, speaker, consultant, and educator. His book *The Art of a Genuine Apology* is all about how to bring healing to your most significant relationships.



CRYSTAL LAVALLEE

Crystal Lavallee is founder of the educational charity I Am Compelled, as well as the associate producer of First People's Voices—an initiative that is devoted to sharing hope-filled testimonies and displaying tangible acts of love to indigenous communities across the land.

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THE PROMISE OF PENTECOST



"Today the LORD has proclaimed you to be His special people."

by GORDON ROBERTSON,
Chief Executive Officer, CBN



Have you ever wondered what the disciples did on Pentecost? Acts 2:1 says they gathered *when the Day of Pentecost had fully come*. Before the gathering, they would have celebrated the Feast of Firstfruits in the Temple. This festival, ordained by God as a statute forever, must have had great significance for the early believers, as it should for us today.

Loaves of bread were offered, calling to mind Jesus' promise, *"I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world"* (John 6:51).

Baked with leaven, the bread was waved as an offering to God. Jesus was lifted up like an offering on the cross, drawing all people to Him. As 1 Corinthians 15:20 says, *Now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep*. This isn't the unleavened bread of Passover—this is "He is risen" bread.

The feast recalled how God delivered Israel out of slavery to a land of milk and honey, and people affirmed their covenant to obey Him. They gave special tithes to feed

strangers, orphans and widows. There was joy—and it was for everyone. *"You shall rejoice in every good thing which the LORD your God has given to you and your house, you and the Levite and the stranger who is among you"* (Deuteronomy 26:11).

Then came the blessing: *"Today the LORD has proclaimed you to be His special people ... and that He will set you high above all nations which He has made, in praise, in name, and in honour, and that you may be a holy people to the LORD"* (Deuteronomy 26:18-19).

Before they were in the Upper Room, Peter and the other disciples experienced this. It's God's bargain with Israel, and it's His bargain with you and me. We all fall short, yet our sins are covered by Jesus' blood. By pouring out His Holy Spirit, God seals us, writes His law in our hearts, and gives us His down payment of the life to come.

And as Peter declared, *You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim [His] praises* (1 Peter 2:9). God bless you!

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