

GROVE CHURCH  
Visions of Truth Ministries  
"Living Victoriously"  
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**Confronting Agitated Christianity**

**Key Scriptures:** "6 Don't worry about anything, instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all that He has done. 7 If you do this you will experience God's peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6,7 NLT)

Psalms 51:12 "Restore unto me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me."

**Lesson Focus:** Leading believers in experiencing and walking with abundant joy and peace through their Christian faith.

Discussion Questions:

- Can you name some reasons why joy and peace seem to be an occasional experience for the believer, rather than a constant presence?
- How has the absence of joy and peace affected your life?
- How has worry affected your life or the life of others associated with you?
- Can worry manifest itself generationally?

NOTE: "Worry is satan's way of disconnecting you from constant fellowship with God."  
~Melvin O. Marriner

Discussion:

- Don't worry about details beyond your control. Gen. 7:16
- Worry can cause you to forfeit peace. Gen. 21:7
- Worry can reveal a lack of faith in God's control. Ps. 37:8,9
- Don't worry if you can't understand everything. Pro. 20:24
- There is a major difference between planning and worrying. Mt. 6:25
- The Holy Spirit can help you stop. Mt. 10:19,20
- Others ways to avoid worry. Luke 12:22-34
- Most things will seem trivial in the future. Luke 22:24

**Important scriptures:**

Prov. 12:25; Phil. 4:6; Ps. 39:5; 1 Peter 5:6-9; Rom. 14:17