

# ***BUT WHEN THE DREAM ENDS.....***



"Everything's going really well right now.

Am I happy about it?

Not really.

It makes me nervous when things go well.

It's a set-up for disappointment.

Just when I begin to feel secure, Bam! The dream ends.

I'm back in the valley of despair

No, it doesn't pay to relax!

It's better to stay cynical, than be caught by surprise."



## **To avoid disappointment you lock yourself in a prison of anxiety?**

Anxiety:

The fear that tomorrow will not be safe.

The fear that your "dream" will be shattered.

The fear that "Something's going to happen."

## You're afraid to live by faith?

Faith:

Trust that God knows and loves you.

Trust that he will keep his word.

Trust that he is in control.



**"As long as I walk in the light, I'm in God's hands."**

***But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith?***

***Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.***

***Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's on trouble be sufficient for the day. (Matthew 6:30-34)***



*Prayer: Loving, caring Lord, you exhort us not to be anxious about anything, anything...that includes a scary future. Help us to let go of the anxiety we cling to over what's going to happen next. Free us from the prison of anxiety that our lack of faith locks us into. Help us not to worry at all about any dream ending, our hopes for the future being dashed. Lord, we trust you, we know you love us, we know you're in control. Instead help us to rejoice in your goodness, to bask in your presence, and to be thankful ...no matter what. And when we are tested and tried, keep us gentle, loving, considerate, forbearing... constantly seeking and walking in your light, in your will. We know when we do this you will replace our anxiety with a peace beyond understanding and we can enjoy the good things you have for us today and will never have to worry about any dream ending. Amen.*

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