

## **Sermon on the Mount—What God thinks of my ambitions.**

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A good sermon stimulates discussion; it causes us to rethink and discuss how we relate to God and one another. While the following does act as an outline, it can also help you reflect how this message applies to your life after it is over.

*“So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ... But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.” (Matthew 6:31–33,NIV)*

- In one way, this statement of Jesus can be a bit harsh. Have you ever read it that way? Why?
  - What might be another way to look at it?
  
- Why was Jesus so concerned about how much energy we spent on the things of this world?
  - “A lot of this has to do with our \_\_\_\_\_.” How does this advice impact your life?
  
- What do you spend too much time thinking about? ... too little?
  
- “worry” come from the Greek word μεριμνάω (merimnao) which means:
  - How does this impact what Jesus is asking us? What is he telling us to “marinate” in?
  
- How might an eternal perspective help you shift your focus?
  - How will you keep that perspective in your life?