

TURNING WORRIES TO VICTORIES

Psa 68:19 Thanks be to the Lord, who daily carries our burdens for us. God is our salvation. Selah

Psa 68:20 Our God is the God of victories. The Almighty LORD provides escapes from death.

So often we rob God of thanks and glory because we refuse Him the right and delight of carry our burdens. God gives the offer to carry our burdens daily. He will carry each and every burden of each and every single day if we will but give them to Him with thanksgiving. Every day we all face situations and people that cause us anxiety, care, and worry. We all face things that seem to be too much for us to handle. The actual truth is that we are burdened by **anticipations** of the future. We never have grace to handle the future. We can only deal with today. What are we supposed to do with anxieties, cares, and worries that burden us down in the present? God wants us to cast that burden upon Him!

Psa 55:22 Turn your burdens over to the LORD, and he will take care of you. He will never let the righteous person stumble.

If we will turn our burdens over to the Lord He will take care of us. God will not let the righteous stumble. We are righteous not because of our own works or performance but we can only be righteous in the eyes of God through receiving it as a gift from Jesus Christ. On our best day we could never earn the least of God's blessings and favor. God promises to take care of us because He cares for us!

1Pe 5:7 Turn all your anxiety over to God because he cares for you.

God does not just carry our burdens every day but He wants to provide salvation in the areas that we are burdened and worried about. God is our salvation! Salvation is an all encompassing word that means protection, deliverance, victory, healing, peace, and prosperity. God does not only provide the single salvation that takes us to heaven when we die. God also has daily salvations for us in each and every trial we face. Ps. 68:20 reveals this to us. God is the God of victories. The word "victories" has been translated in many translations as salvation. It has also been translated deliverances and

victories. This word is plural in Hebrew. God is the God of salvations, deliverances, and victories! These two verses in context show us that God wants to turn your worries into victories. If you are worried about something today is proof that God has a victory in store for you! God offers us His victory, salvation, and deliverance for every burden and worry that you have. However, victory will only be accomplished if you turn your burden over to the Lord with the thanksgiving of faith. How do you turn your burden over to the Lord with thanks?

Php 4:6 *Never worry about anything. But in every situation let God know what you need in prayers and requests while giving thanks.*

Php 4:7 *Then God's peace, which goes beyond anything we can imagine, will guard your thoughts and emotions through Christ Jesus.*

The answer is prayer. Prayer means an intimate face to face encounter with the Lord. This means going to God and being honest with Him about what you are feeling and are afraid of. This means making definite requests to God about your situation. This means to believe God has heard your prayer and that you believe He is answering it. This means to thank God for the answer. When you do this then God's peace will go to work for you. God's peace is not just a nice emotion. It is a powerful spiritual force that brings peace into your situation. It brings you salvation, deliverance, and victory! We must frame our cares into believing prayers. Then God will carry our burdens and give us daily victories. So you have a choice today. You can worry about the things in your life and you can bear the burdens and experience defeat, or you can turn your burdens over to the Lord with thanksgiving and let the Lord bear your burdens and let Him give you the victory! I know my choice, what is yours??