

## INTRODUCTION

1. Tempted to fear.
2. One word: *enough* - two texts: TITLE. Mat 6:34 & 2C 12:9
3. Life in God's good creation wh/ is fallen [common curse] but salvaged [common grace]: tension - resolved by balance of saving grace.

**1st: Each Day Will Have Enough Trouble - Mat 6:34**

1. *Each day*: what day? *tomorrow* [2x]. *Each day* also is today. Today, *do not worry about tomorrow*. 2x: *worry* = *care* [Grk]. 2 'worriers': us & tomorrow
2. Today & tomorrow: *its own trouble*: "evil" - moral or circumstantial. Mt 6:13 = *evil* in moral sense. Mat 5:11.
3. *enough* = sufficient, adequate: limited & allotted: by whom? A 'personal dimension' in the unfolding of time. Today & tomorrow cares for itself: each day has *its own* limited & allotted *trouble*: difficulties & immoralities.
4. Not fatalism, but Father's providential care. *Abba Father* [Rm 8:15].
  - i. Sermon on Mt: *Father* [v19-24]. Who is our God? That into which we invest - Mt 6:24 *serve* = vocab of II<sup>nd</sup>: *worship* & *serve*
  - ii. Either serve Mammon [Isa 65:11] OR God/Father - Mt 6:24-34
    - a. v34 = worry is a symptom of idolatry: *serve Mammon*: this life - v32
    - b. If our Father is our Creator, He will also be our provider. Rm 8:32
    - c. *You of little faith* [v30]. Worry = theological sin: veers into idolatry
  - iii. *Serve* Father: not mean do not plan, but live w/ kingdom priorities - v33. Responsible stewardships - Mt 5:17 & trust Father's providential care.
5. v34 *so*: trust Father in today's limited & allotted *trouble*. Each day = today & when tomorrow comes, it will be today w/ Father's limited allotment. Mt Henry: "Let us not pull that upon ourselves all together at once, wh/ Providence has wisely ordered to be borne by parcels."
6. Providence = wise, loving, good direction & discipline of Father. 1Pt 1:3-9.
  - i. Each day, today, is an opportunity to prove that our faith is living & that we love Lord more than our life. Turn worry into petition - Phil 4:6-9
  - ii. *worry* is a theological sin - mental, emotional usurpation of God's sov'ty.
7. Father's discipline: *troubles* designed precisely for us, limited & allotted.

**2nd: Each Day Will Have Enough Grace - 2Cor 12:9**

1. Paul's daily *trouble* = chronic thorn. Not removed & supplied w/ *sufficient grace* - *enough* = commensurate: to learn humility & manifest res power - v10.
2. *Power is perfected in weakness*. We are weak but we are alive w/ the life & power of resurrected Jesus. Live life of faith in power of Christ.
3. Paul's experienced weakness w/ a good conscience: *most gladly* & *boasting* [v9]; *well content* [v10]. How? By faith: given his limited & allotted grace precisely adequate for Paul.
4. W/ your daily allotment of limited trouble, your Father supplies your daily allotment of grace that is limited in proportion to your allotment of trouble: to mature you in Christ.

**Applic #1: Our Troubles Are Ordered by Our Father**

1. *Our Father*... lead not into 'peirasmos': a test/temptation, deliver from *evil*.
  - i. 'peirasmos'= test that proves, verifies
  - ii. 4 kinds of evil: moral evil [sin]; natural evil [dynamics of death in fallen world: catastrophes]; supernatural evil [demonic]; & eternal evil [hell].
2. Father's discipline - Hb 12:5-13. 1C 10:13

**Applic #2: Sufficient Grace is Ordered by Our Father**

1. *Today, has enough trouble* & enough grace. Face today's trouble w/ the supply of today's grace & build your Ebenezers [1S7:12].
2. Rom 12:1 - *mercies of God* = present provision & promised mercies:
3. "What will tomorrow bring?" I don't know, but the better question is "Who will tomorrow bring?" The same Lord who is w/ me today who says *I will never desert you nor will I ever forsake you* [Hb 13:5].