# "DOES GOD REALLY CARE?" 1 PETER 5:6-11

INTRO: When going through difficult times people will often ask the question: "DOES GOD REALLY CARE ABOUT WHAT I AM FACING?" Though that is an understandable question from the human perspective, it is a question that should NEVER HAVE A DOUBTING ANSWER. YES! GOD DOES CARE ABOUT EVERYTHING WE FACE! In fact, from the biblical perspective, GOD CARES FOR US MORE THAN WE CARE FOR OURSELVES! That is proven by recognizing that GOD HAS GONE OUT OF HIS WAY FOR US IN PROVIDING FOR US MORE THAN WE HAVE EVER DONE FOR OURSELVES.

#### **OBSERVE 1 PETER 5:7**

#### I. WE SEE GOD'S COMMAND

#### "CAST ALL YOUR CARE UPON THE HIM"

• "Casting" is the CONTINUAL ACTION OF THROWING SOMETHING ON SOMETHING ELSE OR SOMEONE ELSE.

#### II. WE SEE GOD'S CARE

## "CAST ALL YOUR CARE UPON HIM"

- The word for "CARE" is "ANXIETY" that can include discontentment, discouragement, despair, questioning, pain, suffering and all and whatever we face in the trials of life.
- 2 Samuel 22:3; Psalm 9:10; 13:5; 36:7; Nahum 1:7; Philippians 4:6,7 Hebrews 13:5

#### III. WE SEE GOD'S CONCERN

### "FOR HE CARETH FOR YOU."

• Because the Lord CARES FOR US, we can trust His LOVE, FAITHFULNESS, POWER, WISDOM, STRENGTH, ETC. TO SUSTAIN US ALWAYS.

### WE SHOULD NEVER DOUBT GOD'S CARE FOR US AT ALL!

# CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING BIBLICAL TRUTHS AND OBSERVE THAT <u>GOD HAS DONE</u> FOR YOU MORE THAN YOU COULD EVER DO FOR YOURSELF

- 1) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with SPECIAL QUALITIES -Psalm 139:14
- 2) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with a REDEEMER
  -Titus 2:14
- 3) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with His PRESENCE -Joshua 1:5
- 4) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with His COMFORT -2 Corinthians 1:3
- 5) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with DELIVERANCE -Psalm 34:6
- 6) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with WISDOM -James 1:5
- 7) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with an INVITATION -Matthew 11:28
- 8) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with SALVATION -Ephesians 2:8,9

- 9) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with a MINISTRY -Ephesians 2:10
- 10) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with a RELATIONSHIP -Romans 8:15
- 11) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with DIRECTION Romans 8:14
- 12) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with an INHERITANCE
  - -1 Peter 1:3-6
- 13) God Cares Enough to PROVIDE you with HEAVEN -Revelation 21:1-7

# **CONCLUSION/APPLICATION**

NEVER DOUBT GOD'S CARE FOR YOU UNDER ANY CONDITION OR IN ANY SITUATION. YES! GOD CARES FOR YOU MORE THAN YOU CARE FOR YOURSELF.

- 1) Remain in His Word
- 2) Talk with Him in Prayer
- 3) Keep Your Eyes on His Greatness
- 4) Remember His Love for You
- 5) Take His Promises to Heart