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Give It To God

By Sarah G. Schumacher -- (Age 18)

With all the stress going on in the world lately, we find our minds filled with thoughts we can't seem to get rid of. Proverbs 16:3 says, "Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established."

In this verse, we are told that giving our worries to God will give us peace. That sounds easy enough, but so many times when we try to give something to God, we fail. Maybe it's something that we think we don't need to give to Him. We think we're able to take care of it ourselves. We may stop worrying about it for several hours, but then, it's right back again! Maybe the question we should ask is, *How do I give something to God?*

In 1 Peter 5:7 it says, "Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you." First, we need to realize that God *cares*. He loves us more than we could ever imagine, and He wants to carry the extra load for us. Proverbs 3:5 says, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."

Secondly, if we are unwilling to trust God to take care of what worries we have, He will never be able to help us. We must submit to Him and realize that what He has planned for us is truly far greater than anything we have planned for ourselves. We need to take that step of faith before we will ever see the power of God. Psalm 1:2 says, "But his delight is in the law of the Lord ; and in his law doth he meditate day and night."

Thirdly, if we are trying to keep stress out of our minds, we need to put something else in, or the worries come right back. Our focus should be on the words of God, not the worries of ourselves. Memorizing Scripture is especially helpful for those times when we feel overwhelmed and don't have our Bibles at hand.

Giving everything to God and having faith in His power will give us incredible peace when nothing around us is peaceful!

Of Fruits and Roots

By Talia Michel -- (Age 15)

"The fruit you can see is always the result of the root you cannot see."

- Unknown

What is the difference between the gift of the spirit and the fruit of the Spirit?

The gifts of the Spirit are noted as the roots of the tree, and the fruits of the Spirit are, naturally, the fruits of the tree.

If our roots are strong and deeply founded in God we will do more than just grow, we will flourish, and it will show on the outside ultimately leading people to God.

In John 15:16 Jesus says, on love "I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last." and in Matthew 7:19

"Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire" if a fruit tree doesn't produce fruit we automatically know that there is something wrong with it, it is no longer good for anything. Same with us, if we don't bear good fruit we will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

Fruit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22)

Roots: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (gifts of the Spirit)

(Scripture taken from ESV version)

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