

## When I am Anxious by John Piper

*... casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.* (1 Peter 5:7)

There is a promise suited to every sin you are tempted to commit and every form of unbelief that takes you off guard and makes you anxious. For example:

When I am anxious about being sick, I battle unbelief with the promise, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all" (Psalm 34:19). And I take the promise with trembling, "knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Romans 5:3-5).

When I am anxious about getting old, I battle unbelief with the promise: "Even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save" (Isaiah 46:4).

When I am anxious about dying, I battle unbelief with the promise that

"none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living" (Romans 14:7-9).

When I am anxious that I may make shipwreck of faith and fall away from God, I battle unbelief with the promises, "He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6); and, "He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them" (Hebrews 7:25).

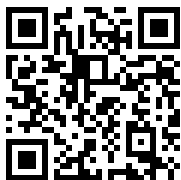
So, let us make war, not with other people, but with our own unbelief. It is the root of anxiety, which, in turn, is the root of so many other sins.

So, let us fix our eyes on the precious and very great promises of God. Take up the Bible, ask the Holy Spirit for help, lay the promises up in your heart, and fight the good fight — to live by faith in future grace.

### Events

- 11/20 Last Day for OCC Shoe box Drop-Off by 2 PM
- 11/21 Thanksgiving Service 7:15 PM
- 12/2 Ladies Missionary Society 9 AM
- 12/3 7th/8th Christmas Party 7 PM
- 12/17 Christmas Music Program PM service

### Give



### Upcoming Events



### Pastors

Gary Hendrix	Stephen Byrd
Charles Fortner	Robert Fisher
Stu Johnston	Bob Prentice
Andy Dunkerton	Michael Lopes

### Service Times

- Sunday School 9:30 am
- Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
- Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm

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# He is the Image of the Invisible God

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## Morning Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Andy Dunkerton

Opening Hymn

Behold Our God

1. Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand? Kings and nations tremble at His voice, all creation rises to rejoice.

**(Chorus)**

**Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.**

**Behold our King, nothing can compare. Come, let us adore Him!**

2. Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His words?

Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

**(Chorus)**

3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?

God eternal, humbled to the grave, Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

**(Chorus)**

**Bridge**

**(male voices)**

You will reign forever

**(female voices)**

**Let Your glory fill the earth**

You will reign forever

**Let Your glory fill the earth**

You will reign forever

**Let Your glory fill the earth**

You will reign forever

**Let Your glory fill....**

**(Chorus)**

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:31-46, page 831

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

You Are My King

I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken. I'm accepted, You were condemned.

I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

**Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?**

**Amazing love, I know it's true, and it's my joy to honor You,**

**in all I do to honor You.**

I'm forgiven, because You were forsaken. I'm accepted, You were condemned.

I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

**(Chorus)**

**(Bridge)** You are my King. You are my King.

Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King.

**(Chorus 2x)**

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Preparatory

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

## Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Bob Prentice

Opening Hymn

Behold, What Manner of Love

**(singing 4 times, follow instructions on screen for Verses 2 & 3 in "round")**

Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us.

Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us,

That we should be called the sons of God, that we should be called

the sons of God.

*Behold, What Manner of Love*- Text: 1 John 3: 1 Music: Patricia Van Tine

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**O Love That Will Not Let Me Go**

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;

I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow

May richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;

My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's blaze its day

May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;

I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,

That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee;

I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red

Life that shall endless be, life that shall endless be.

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Scripture Reading

2 Samuel 21:1-14, page 273

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

#402 Amazing Grace

Preparatory

Rock of Ages

1. Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;

Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,

Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r,

Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

2. Not the labors of my hands can fulfil Thy law's demands;

Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,

All for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone,

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3. Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;

Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace;

Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die,

Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

4. While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,

When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee

Let me hide myself in Thee, Let me hide myself in Thee

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776 Tune: Stevan Henning

Sermon

Pastor Stu Johnston

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