

Sunday, September 6

Matthew 6  
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# Questions God Asks

**To read before class:** Matthew 6

How does Matthew 6 fit into the larger story of Jesus and the Gospel of Matthew? Big-picture-wise, what's going on?

Of all the things for Jesus to teach his disciples in this monumental sermon, why do you think he would spend time talking about being “anxious” in 6:25-34?

Jesus asks multiple questions in this section of his sermon:

- ❖ “Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?” (6:25)
- ❖ “Are you not of more value than they?” (6:26)
- ❖ “Which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?” (6:27)
- ❖ “And why are you anxious about clothing? ... If God so clothes the grass of the field... will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?” (6:28-30)

Why? Why would an all-knowing God ask questions like that?

- ❖ What does this passage tell us about Jesus?
- ❖ What does this passage tell us about people, specifically disciples of Jesus (5:1)?
- ❖ Most close to home, what impression should this passage make on us?