



Don't Panic – This Is Just A Test!

Text: Psalm 112 & I Peter 1

- Panic – To be overcome by **SUDDEN** fear. II Timothy 1:7, Psalm 112:7-8
- The trial of your faith is when you have to put the **Word of God** into practice. I Peter 1:6-9
- The testing of your faith produces perseverance and maturity in your life.
- God wants you to trust Him, but Satan wants you to panic.

Six Things You Can Do To Pass The Test:

1. Know that you are in control of your response: John 14:1
 - You have the power to choose **PEACE** in the midst of fear and **PANIC**.
 - It's not a feeling, but a choice we make.
2. Listen to your spirit and not your head: John 14:26, Proverbs 6:22
 - Don't allow your emotions to drown out God's voice.
 - Allow the **Word of God** to come up out of you—and talk to you and encourage you.
 - Let the **Holy Spirit** comfort you and lead you.
 - Let your spirit be the dominant voice in your life.
3. Avoid excessive reasoning: Matthew 6:31
 - You can simplify your life by simplifying your thoughts.
 - Let go of all the questions and trust God with the answers. Romans 8:11, Psalm 46:10
4. Pray instead of worrying: Philippians 4:6
 - Worry stirs up **FEAR**, but prayer stirs up the **SUPERNATURAL!**
 - Prayer takes you into another level of thinking and living.
 - Prayer takes you into a peace that only God can give.
5. Choose love: Matthew 5:44
 - Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.
 - Choose love over hate.
 - Choose forgiveness over bitterness and anger.
 - Choose to bless people instead of speaking evil of them. Romans 12:21
 - Trust God to vindicate you!
6. Always be a prisoner of hope: Zechariah 9:12
 - Prisoners of hope say: Psalm 42:5, Acts 2:26, Ephesians 6:13
 - I'm expecting God to take care of me!
 - I'm expecting the goodness of God in my life!
 - **I CAN TRUST MY GOD!**

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