

## **ABSTRACT**

Much has been written about Jesus' teaching on worry in the Sermon on the Mount in Matt 6:19-34. As Hans Dieter Betz says, "in the history of interpretation it has naturally attracted some of the most brilliant mind". Countless sermons have been preached on this text and it has been taken and used by numerous Christian counselors when counseling on worry. This thesis is an attempt to critique the work of one such counselor, Robert D. Jones. It seeks through detailed exegesis of the text to determine how consistent Jones is in his approach and how appropriate his conclusions in relation to counseling on worry are. An alternative approach to the text that we believe better reflects the original intended meaning of the text will then be offered.