WHAT DO YOU



































What is fear?

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How does fear impact our lives?

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Fear is a human emotion that is triggered by a perceived threat. It is a basic survival mechanism that signals our bodies to respond to danger with a fight or flight response. As such, it is an essential part of keeping us safe.

However, when people live in constant fear, whether from physical dangers in their environment or threats they perceive, they can become incapacitated i.e. incapable of or unfit for normal functioning.

Living under chronic fear has serious health consequences on our:

Physical health

Memory

Brain processing and reactivity

Mental health

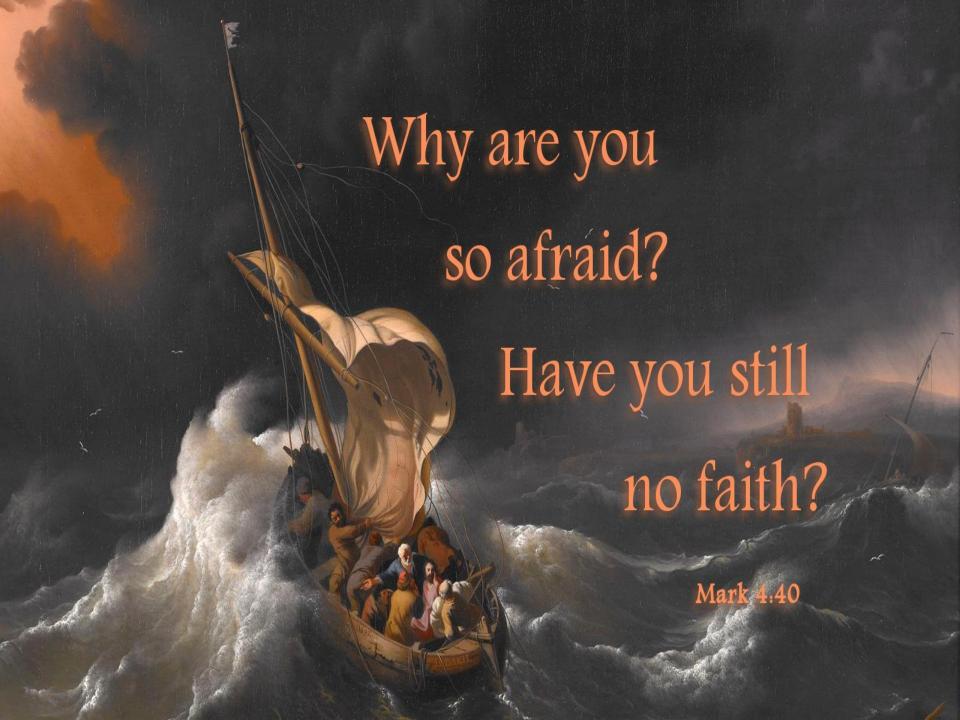


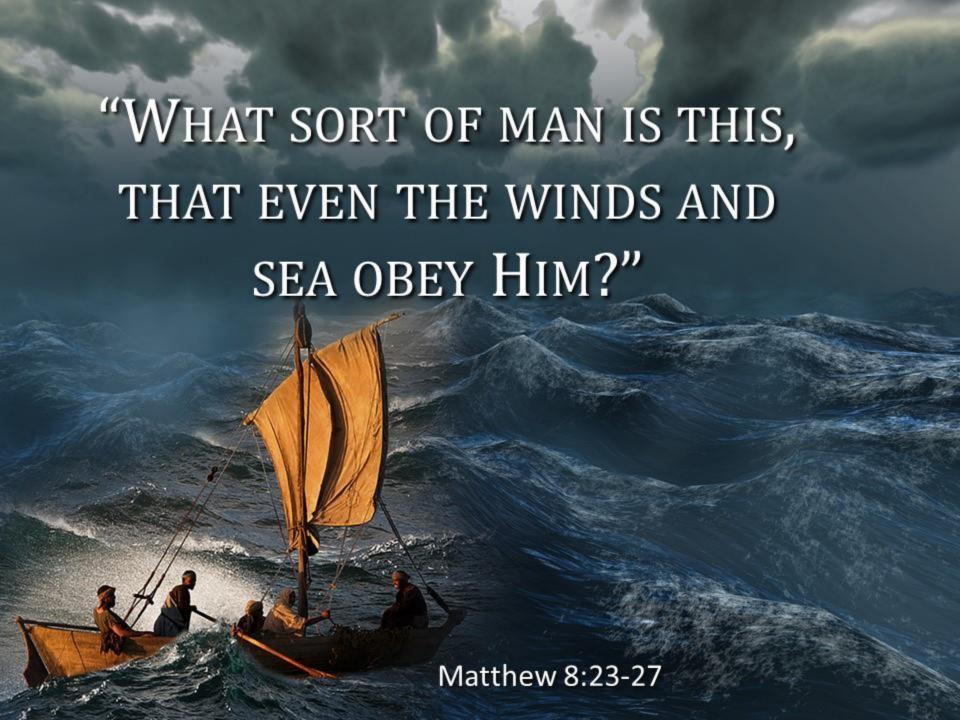






Is it wrong to be afraid?





And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

Luke 17: 5

Now <u>faith is</u> the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Hebrews 11: 1

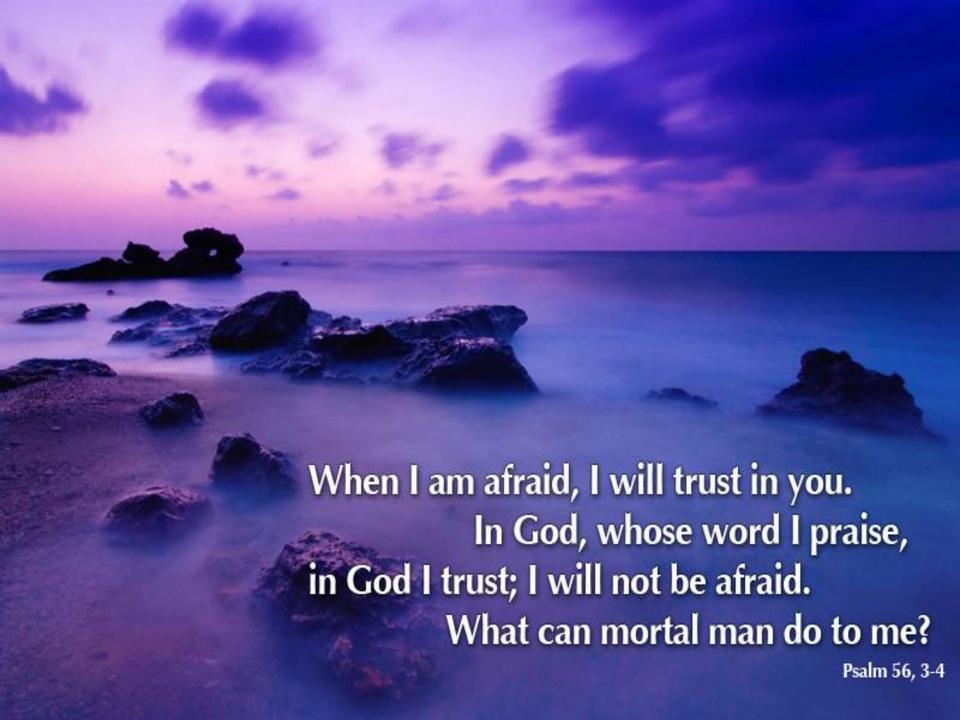
But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Hebrews 11: 6

Is it wrong to live in fear?

There is no fear in love; but <u>perfect love</u> <u>casts out fear</u>, because <u>fear involves</u> <u>torment</u>. But <u>he who fears has not</u> <u>been made perfect in love</u>.

1 John 4: 18



Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4: 6-7

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

James 1: 5-6

How do we overcome fear?

The <u>fear of the Lord</u> is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 1: 7

My people are destroyed for <u>lack of knowledge</u>.

Hosea 4: 6(a)

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him! Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints! There is no want to those who fear Him.

Psalm 34: 8-9



Does God want us to be alone?

In the beginning, God did not create man to be alone.

And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

Genesis 2: 18

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What about Paul and Barnabas when they disputed over Mark continuing with them and then went their separate ways.

What did they do?

Barnabas took Mark

Paul chose Silas



So, what did God do for us?

He blessed us with the church of His dear Son so we wouldn't have to be alone.



I do not pray for these alone, but <u>also</u> for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

John 17: 20-21

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor. For if they fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him who is alone when he falls, for he has no one to help him up.

Ecclesiastes 4: 9-10



Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him. And <u>a</u> threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Ecclesiastes 4: 12

Brethren, if a man is overtaken in <u>any</u> <u>trespass</u>, you who *are* spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. <u>Bear one another's burdens</u>, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6: 1-2

I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4: 12-13

Better is a little with the fear of the Lord, than great treasure with trouble.

Proverbs 15: 16

And let our *people* also learn to maintain good works, to *meet* urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful.

Titus 3: 14

Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

Romans 12:15

Gifts <u>are not</u> to be paid back, they <u>are</u> to be paid forward.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

John 3: 16-17

Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life.

Romans 5: 18

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Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

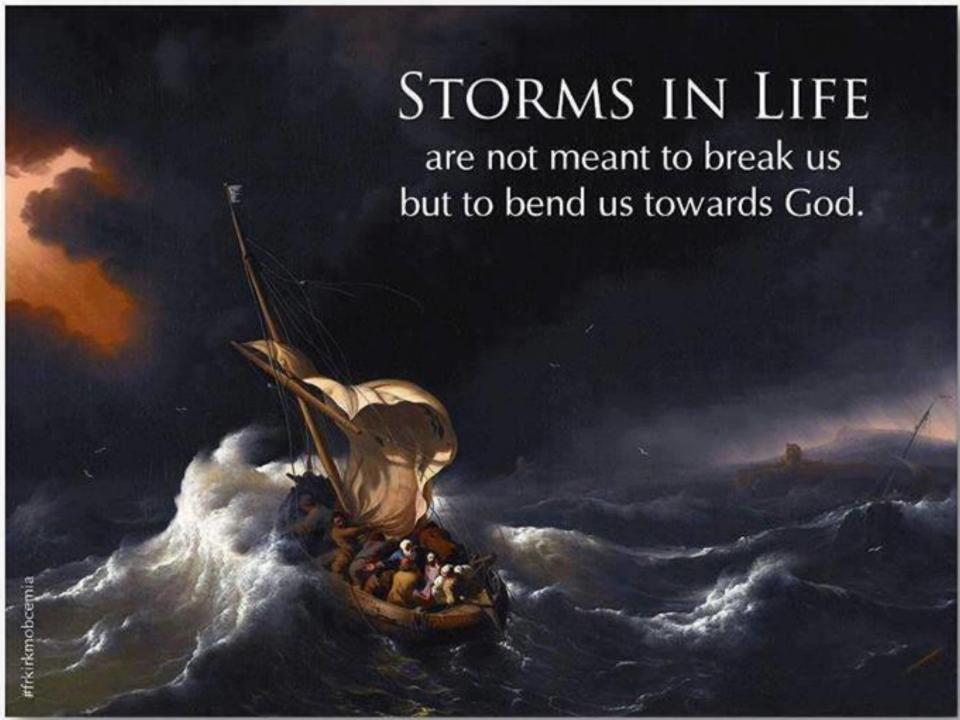
Matthew 7: 7-8

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Psalm 23: 4

So we may boldly say: "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

Hebrews 13: 6 (Psalm 118: 6)



Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

2 Timothy 1: 6-7

WE NEED TO LEARN THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO FACE



AND OUR BRETHREN ARE THERE TO HELP.