Payton's Pen

No Fear!

"God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change And though the mountains shake into the heart of the sea:"

Psalm 46:1-2

Fear. All of us have experienced that emotion. It is such a powerful emotion that it can freeze a person in their tracks. I have witnessed victims of crime that were so fearful they could neither run nor fight. Yet, the Bible makes it clear that Christians have nothing to fear. I want to give you ten verses to meditate on to help you overcome any fear you might have.

Ps 23:4-"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me."

2 Tim 1:7-"For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and self-discipline."

John 5:24-"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life." Romans 6:5-"For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection" John 14:1-3-"Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also."

1 Corinthians 15:42-44-"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown a corruptible body, it is raised an incorruptible body; 43 it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; 44 it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body."

Philippians 3:20-"For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ!"

Hebrews 2:14-15 "Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives." 1 John 4:17-19 "By this, love has been perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment, because as He is, so also are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. 19 We love, because He first loved us." 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" 56 Now the sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; 57 but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory

Your shepherd,

through our Lord Jesus Christ!"

Pastor Mark

"Let us not sit down in coward fear. Let us press onward in the path of duty; for the Lord hath said it, "I will go before thee."

Quote of the Week

- Charles Spurgeon

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Your spots and blots! (Thomas Brooks)

"The Lord our righteousness." Jeremiah 23:6
"They are without fault before the throne of God!"
Revelation 14:5

Weak hearts are apt to sit down troubled and discouraged, when they look upon that body of sin which is in them, and those imperfections which attend their best services. They are ready to say, "We shall one day perish by the strength of our lusts, or by the defects of our services!"

Oh but to strengthen them against all discouragements, they should remember this—that they stand before God, clothed with the righteousness of their Savior.

"They are without fault before the throne of God."

Revelation 14:5

So in Song of Solomon 4:7, "All beautiful you are, my darling; there is no flaw in you." There is no flaw in God's account. God looks upon weak saints in the Son of His love—and sees them all lovely.

Ah, poor souls! you are apt to look upon your spots and blots, and to cry out with the leper not only "Unclean! Unclean!" but "Undone! Undone!"

Well, forever remember this—that you stand before God in the righteousness of Christ; upon which account you always appear before the throne of God without fault; where you are all lovely, and where there is no flaw in you.

Weekly Gatherings



Bible Classes

Old & New Testament Classes
Ladies Class
Young Adults Young Parents
Youth Surge
Sunday Morning @ 9:30AM



Weekday Meetings

Mondays | 7PM Men's Bible Study 1st and 3rd Saturday Women of Grace | 9AM Wednesdays | 6:30PM AWANA



Family Groups

Thursdays @ 7PM
Please check church website
for start date and directions to each



Build the Body Teams

If you would like to serve on a BtB Team and need to sign up, please contact the team leader at the appropriate email address on the back of this bulletin.



Youth Study

Wednesdays @6:30PM Youth Study & Surge!



Service Times

Sunday Services 8AM & 11:00AM Sunday School 9:30AM Children's Church @11:00AM Giving from service on 02/18/2024

 General Offering
 5,940.94

 Building Fund
 1,170.00

 Uganda Missions
 180.00

 G3 Offering
 25.50

Total.......\$7,316.44 Attendance......212 Online......75

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