FEAR NOT

Text: Isaiah 41:10 - "Fear thou not, for I am with thee, be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee, yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

NOTE: There are 2 kinds of fear mentioned in the Bible. The first is, respecting God. The second is, being afraid or scared.

WHY DO PEOPLE FEAR?

1) Lack Of Faith.

Faith is the opposite of fear.

Mark 11:22 - "...Have faith in God."

Romans 10:17 - "...faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

The more Word you have, the less likely you will be overcome with the spirit of fear.

2) Been Taught To Fear.

II Timothy 1:7 - "God has not given to us the spirit of fear..."

This kind of fear could be generational, too. Some people listen to negative too much.

Phil. 4:8, will help you guard what you let in your ears.

3) Staying In The Wrong Environment.

Genesis 12:1 - "...Get thee (Abraham) out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee."
NOTE:
I am convinced that God had to tell Abraham to leave Ur, because of the familiarity of his surroundings that would hinder his faith. There was too much negative going on where he was. God had to remove Abraham completely from his present environment in order to do a mighty work in his heart.

Create a peaceful environment in your home. Be careful what you watch and allow on your t.v. Your t.v., radio or other forms of entertainment, creates an atmosphere for good or evil. Don’t allow conflict to abide. Settle your differences with God’s prevailing love flowing forth from your innermost being.

Colossians 3:15 - “Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body, and be ye thankful.

Don’t hang out with people who worry or complain!

4) A Past Negative Incident Triggers Fear.

Past negative memories can trigger fear, if not dealt with by the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.

Philippians 3:13 - “...forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before.”

VERSES AGAINST HAVING FEAR:

I John 4:18 - “There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.”

Psalms 23:4 - “I will fear no evil.”

Psalms 27:1 - “The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”

Isaish 43: 1(b) - “Fear not, for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by name, thou art mine.”

II Kings 6:16 - “…Fear not, for they that be with us, are more than they that be with them.” (Elisha to his servant)
I Kings 17:13 - "...Fear not; go and do as thou hast said..." (Elijah to the widow of Zarephath)

Genesis 26:24 - "...Fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee..." (God to Isaac)

Psalms 56:4 - "In God I will praise His Word, in God I have put my trust, I will not fear what flesh can do unto me."

Psalms 118:6 - "For the Lord is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?"

Hebrews 13:6 - "So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my Helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me."

SOLUTION TO COMBAT FEAR:

When you resist the spirit of fear (cause fear is a demonic spirit with a name), and cling to the promises of the Word of God, you will see fear go and faith grow!

Fear will die, as your faith comes alive!

Fear and faith cannot mix anymore than muddy water and clean water. What happens? The muddy makes the clear contaminated. The same goes for faith. When you continue to combat your fear with the Word, eventually your fear will die as your faith rises to new levels in believing God.

Don't entertain fear or worry!

Come against your negative thoughts with the Word. (scriptures like II Tim. 1:7)

Face any fears by rebuking the devil. (Satan is the root of all fear). Begin to thank God for your deliverance from fear.

Let the peace of God that passes all understanding keep your heart and mind on Christ Jesus. (See: Philippians 4:7)

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