

TAKING IT HOME

Applying this message to everyday life

1. What is the most fearful time you have had to overcome regarding witnessing for Christ?
2. When it comes to evangelism in our culture, the fear of rejection is far greater than the fear of death. However, what other fears may hold us back from sharing our faith?
3. What practical things can you do to overcome your fear of suppressing God's goodness and truth to others?
4. We are to pray for one another (James 5:16). Take time to pray the truth of 2 Timothy 1:7 to be a reality in our lives.

The Heart of Opposition
#569 – Fear God, Not Man
Matthew 10:28

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Fear God, Not Man

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell.
Matthew 10:28

Understanding this Command

The same word for "be afraid" can mean to be _____ of or to be in _____ of or _____.

Fear is more than a human emotion, it is a powerful _____ force.

Today, we need _____ for the Lord.

Learn to conquer _____ with _____.

1. He _____ for our sin.
2. He is the source of _____.
3. He is always with _____.

Fear of _____ is normal.

To overcome we must have a cause worth _____ for and worth _____ for.

Jesus conquered _____.

Fear of _____ tempts us to be silent about God in order to gain the _____ of others.

To overcome our fear of rejection, we must _____ on what God thinks of us.

Getting-To-Know-Me Questions

Sharing time to get your group started

- A. When you are lost, which of the following are you most likely to do?
 - a. Stop & ask for directions.
 - b. Check a map / google.
 - c. Drive around until you find the place you are looking for.
 - d. Not admit to anyone that you are lost.

- B. What fear, from your childhood, do you have an early memory of?

- C. What is something, or someone, that you are afraid of?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK

For the week of August 27, 2017

Quick Review

1. As you reflect on last week's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following questions

2. The context of Matthew 10 (you may want to read the entire chapter) deals with Jesus sending his disciples out into the world to do His work. Jesus tells them to expect the worst hardship imaginable. Do you think His words were more motivational or more intimidating? Why?

3. How do you explain the fact that when David faced Goliath he seemed to have no fear at all? (see 1 Samuel 17)

4. How do you explain the fact that David was afraid of his son Absalom and fled from Jerusalem to escaped from him? (see 2 Samuel 15)