

My Notes 5-9-23 Tuesday Morning

[Psalm 34:4-11](#) I sought the LORD, and he heard me, And delivered me from all my fears.

5 They looked unto him, and were lightened: And their faces were not ashamed.

6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard *him*, And saved him out of all his troubles.

7 The angel of the LORD encampeth Round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

8 O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: Blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: For *there is* no want to them that fear him.

10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger:

But they that seek the LORD shall not want any good *thing*.

11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me:

I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

[Psalm 34:4](#) All right. Now you know what? I think I challenged everybody last week to memorize [Psalm 34](#), right? So we'll have maybe we should have a test right now and see. How many of you tried to memorize it? Uh oh nobody alright, well we're never too old to memorize, so you wanna, you're gonna to need this one most of your life. So I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord. The humble shall hear thereof, and be glad, Oh magnify the Lord with me. And let us exalt his name. Together I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and he delivered me from all my fears. They looked unto him, and were lightened. Their faces were not ashamed, this poor man. Heard that this poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all of his troubles. The Angel of the Lord encamps round about them that fear him, and delivereth them, O taste and see. The Lord is good. Blessed is the man that trusteth in him. Oh, fear the Lord, ye his Saints, but there is no want to them that fear him. The Young Lions do lack and suffer hunger, but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing. Come you children, hearken unto me, and I will teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile. Depart from evil and do good. Seek peace and pursue it. The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry. The face of the Lord is against them that do evil to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth and delivereth them out of all their troubles. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart can save as such as we have a contrite spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them all. He keepeth all of their bones. Not one of them is broken. People shall slay the wicked, and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate. The Lord redeemeth the soul of his servants, and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

Well, we've got a lot of good promises here, and we're gonna take them all in here one by one. So I think we left off last week with they should deliver them from all their fears. Yeah, there we go so of course, there's a lot of things to fear. That's why I suggest that

people probably best not to watch the Evening News, because there's a lot of things there. I think these guys are made, they're millionaires, these talking heads that are on the various channels, conservative and liberal, and they like to gin up fear in people, and this keeps people watching, and the main thing is it keeps the ratings high and it keeps the dollars flowing, so you want to be very careful about how much you wanna give into all of this. The people of God we don't have to fear anything if the future of the world is in the hands of the Lord, and so he wants us to be at peace in our heart. So we use [1 John 4:18](#) Fear has torment, we understand that, but perfect love casts out all fear. So we want to. We want to be rid of this, and this Psalm guarantees a deliverance from all my fears now, of course I already mentioned these distressing stories that we read about and hear every day of our lives. This tends to unsettle us people start the day off sometimes with the morning news and they end their day with the evening news, and this tends to disturb our peace. So of course all around us we've got violent protests. So we read about here about of course the Bible predicts this as part of the end of times in [Matthew 24:7-8](#) and [Mark 13:8](#) For nation shall rise against nation, kingdom against kingdom, earthquakes, diverse places, famines, troubles. These are all the beginnings of sorrows. So these are things that even though they're distressing, we ought to expect them as the time goes close to the coming of the Lord, and recent pestilences and world wars the ever looming threat of the Islamic nations rising against us, we continue to enrich them and make them trillionaires with our gas money spending that we have to do because we won't drill our own oil here. Constant violence, gangs and illegal immigration. Scary stuff every day there's a new shooting. So these are things obviously that will keep us distressed. I just did a funeral last night of the overdose. He just overdosed with the fentanyl, real sad he was doing quite well, and then the temptation rises and these drug dealers call you, and bring you right back into the filth, and the evil, and of course, all the while we are confronted with the generation that hates God an angry generation, many of them being raised in single parent homes, angry because father images, they don't have anybody to look up to, and so they give up on God. Well, there are many things, obviously, that can make us fear, but the Lord delivers us from all of our fears, if you don't have any fears, by the way, we can help you with some. Here are the 10 top fears of 2018 and here's a list of phobias if you'd like to have a list of phobias, [1 Timothy 1:7](#) For God hath not given us, the spirit of fear, but of power and of love, and a sound mind. So that's where believers need to be and ought to be, and this Psalm reminds us of the great delivering power of the Lord delivering us from our fears. There's that passage again, the whole part of it. [1 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, and again, this is the devil's designed to take our peace from us if he can. [Psalm 46:2](#) Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea, and everybody knows [Psalm 23:4](#) Yeah, though I Walk Through the Valley of the Shadow of Death. I will fear no evil. For thou art with me, there's our great consolation. The Lord who promised to never leave us and never forsake us. Yeah it's been said there are 365 fear verses in the Bible, and I finally did a little research to find out if that were true, and I found out it that's not true. There's more than 365, so there's more than enough for not just each day, but it goes well beyond that. There are promises like this one in [Psalm 91:5-6](#) Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor the arrow that flieth by day, nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; Nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. So if you take that all into consideration, we're not afraid of terror that comes at night for anything. Arrows that fly by day, the pestilence that walks in the darkness and the destruction. So any one of those, we could say that's a fear, not for each one of those various maladies. Now the Bible also speaks of fearful judgments in the last days were the last days could well be

applied here if we have to. Be aware this is in [Luke 21:11](#) Gospel, his speech about fearful sights and great signs that shall be from heaven. Just reading an article recently, of course here are some some old news right where they tried to upset us. So yeah a great meteor was supposed to arrive in 2020, of course it never did. Uh, and everybody is worked up about that for a little while. Uh, then there was another one now of course they didn't know. Just last Sunday, this one was supposed to hit the earth, and people get caught up with these things, and can certainly be afraid, [Luke 21:25-26](#) And there shall be signs in the sun and the moon and the stars, and upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; 26 Men's hearts, failing them for fear and looking after those things which are coming on the earth. For the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

Alright [Psalm 34:5](#) continues on then it says, and they looked unto him. You know where the light looking unto Jesus, and they were lightened in other word lightened. It's a powerful word lightened. Now it has almost two meanings in the English language, certainly, but also in the original what does it mean to be lightened? Well, there's the sense in which our burdens are lightened. Uh, the Lord lifts the load, is where off of our shoulders. Remember this passage, he says in [Matthew 11:28](#) Come unto me, all you that labor, and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Now the prospect of that promise is that the Lord views life as being a struggle, a labor it, it weighs us down, it's a heavy laden a burden, and they suggest that we come to him or will come to him, will be lightened of that burden, and he will thus give us rest and give us peace in our hearts. So this is a a prosperous passage for us, so we we can take our burdens to the Lord. [Psalm 55:22](#) Cast your burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain you. Figure and James writes about these burdens that we bear and that God gives us the grace you know, gives us more grace to bear them, and of course the other aspect of lightened is to look unto him, and he, being the light of the world, lightens us, lightens our countenance, as it were. So [Isaiah 45:22](#) Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: For I *am* God, and *there is* none else. I like this passage in 2 Corinthians the 4th and 5th chapters they're glorious places in the scripture and this particular place. I'm sure we'll get to this at some point in our study of these handfuls of purpose. [2 Corinthians 4:6](#) For God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, remember now Paul is just told us about if our gospel be hid, it is said to them we're lost in whom the God of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the glorious light of the gospel of Christ who is the image of God, and shine unto them. So that comes immediately before this sixth verse, so the motion of the Lord and the power of His light, and the eminence, and that the devil's trying to blind us, lest the light of his gospel should shine upon us. So then we get to the sixth verse for God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness. So this reminds us of [Genesis 1:1-3](#) In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was found face of the deep. The Spirit of the Lord moved upon the face of the waters., and God said, let there be light, and there was light. So that this is an abbreviated form of the the creation of Genesis passages. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts. To give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. Of course, the Apostle Paul is what shall we say, he's noted for his purpose constructions. As a result, we have to kind of take it apart by phrase. There's so much in each phrase in [2 Corinthians 4:6](#) For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. Those you can

see here, but we'll focus on this to it gives the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. There's a lot there to take apart, but the notion of his knowledge being a light to us, you know, a symbol of knowledge. They use the lamp the old oil lamp, you know, with the flame coming out of it, that's light, you know wisdom is light. God lightens us he gives us a new heart and a new mind, gives us new knowledge now, so the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. So we'll look at the hearing and that's just where we look unto him through his word, and the knowledge of the word, and we're changed from glory to glory, he says in [2 Corinthians 3:18](#) We look in the Word of God, and we see the reflection of Christ, as it were. So let's analyze this a bit even further well one day of course, in glory we shall see him as he is, and they shall see his face. Look at that simple expression. They shall see his face. This is [Revelation 22:4](#) So that you'll see his face and his name shall be in their forehead, very simplistically stated, but tremendously profound. What will be happening is we were lightened and we look in his face, and then the correspondence. Our faces will not be ashamed in that hour so looking unto Jesus [Hebrews 12:2](#) the author and the finisher of our faith. [Psalm 25:20](#) So keep my soul deliver me: Let me not be ashamed; For I put my trust in the. Well, it's guaranteed. We shall not be ashamed. We can stand before the Lord and not be condemned, and we won't be ashamed in the sense of that we put our faith in the wrong place. No we have total confidence that the lamb of God has accomplished what he came [Luke 19:10](#) to do in seeking and saving that which was lost. So here's that passage I think just referred to, right. [2 Corinthians 3:18](#). This is an interesting place uh we all with open face, beholding as in a glass, the glory of the Lord, were changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. The context here will speak of Moses going up to the mountain and shining with the effulgence of God comes down from the mountain and he actually has to put a veil over his face because he's shining with this glory of the Lord. This was a physical miracle, obviously, but in the New Testament we have the spiritual truth, and the application of this is a bit more, let's say, esoteric. In this case, now we're beholding with open face. We're beholding, so in other words, we come to the word of God with our minds and hearts open, and we look at the page, and we behold as as in a glass, the same way we would look in a mirror, in other words, and what do we see here in the pages of the scripture but the glory of the Lord revealed. This is what we're doing here today. We're expounding the scripture. We're hopefully making the things of God, the spiritual truths of God, come alive, and so as we do that, we're changed, our minds change, our hearts changed. We are rebuked and convicted by what the word says. We make reparation. We recognize we've got to change this and do this differently in our lives because we look at the glory of God and we see the the face of Christ on every page, and that's that reflected glory comes upon us and changes us from the glory of that page and the revelation of Christ to glory within us. So that's again, it's rather complex verse, but I think fascinating one. So back to what Revelation says, and they shall see his face in [Revelation 22:4](#) so uh well.

We know that beautiful hymn. Face to face. So wish I could sing for you but. Face to face with Christ my Savior. Face to face, what would it be? When will the rapture I behold in Jesus Christ, who died for me only faintly. Now I see him with darkened veil between. But a blessed day is coming when his glory shall be seen. What rejoicing in His presence when our banished grief and pain. Death is swallowed up in victory. And the dark things shall be playing. Face to face so blissful moment. Face to face to see and know. Face to face with my Redeemer, Jesus Christ, who loves me so. Face to face I shall behold

him. Far beyond the starry sky, face to face in all his glory. I shall see him. By and by.

So there we have it so I hope you are all singing along there these great truths. So glad to sing songs like this. Alright, so of course we'll see the king in his countenance. [Proverbs 16:15](#) says in the light of the King's countenance, it's life. So, well, there's this passage. I'm sure I have it here somewhere in [1 John 3:1-2](#) Where it says, Behold, what manner of love the Father bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God, and then it says, it does not appear what we shall be, but when we shall see him, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. So the King's countenance we shall see him in the light of the King's convenience and the King's beauty. [Isaiah 33:17](#) speaks of that thy eyes shall see the king in his beauty, of course, now we see him, like the songwriter said, with that the veil between that kind of looking through the glass darkly, as Paul says, then there is that trying blessing that we find in the Book of [Numbers 6:24-26](#) God bless thee and keep thee. Lord make his face shine upon thee, gracious under thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace. So our text there you know they looked unto him, and they were enlightened, and so we see it, you know, in its full manifestation of these various verses. All these are connecting that wondrous truth, and of course, the prospects of that day have seen him as he is. I think I have that first coming up here. Let's see here yes of [1 John 3:2-3](#) Beloved now are we the sons of God, and it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he shall appear, we shall be like him. When we shall see him as he is, and every man that hath this hope in him purifies himself as he is pure. We'll try to take that one and build up it look we're talking about absolute holiness, perfection that is never achieved here in this world. Our sinful nature gets in the way of that. [1 John 1:8](#) Obviously we all if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, so the day is coming and this day, once arriving, we will be perfected. We shall see him indeed as he is all will be well. Alright, so in our studies in [Matthew 5:8](#) we have Beatitudes. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. So we're going to look unto him, we'll see him, and of course the brightness of his lights. [Habakkuk 3:4](#) He had horns, and this would be the emanation of his life, giving eminence coming forth from him, and the Son of righteousness will heal us. With this powerful presence so that's the prospect of the believer and that's what all of us are expecting. We're looking to him now and be lightened. We shall look in his word and be changed and transformed from the glory of that word, and be made more conformed to the image of the master.

[Psalm 34:6](#) All right, we'll move on to the next portion of [Psalm 34:6](#) This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. So we can all say that that I am that poor man you are we've all been in this, this impoverished state. Our sinful state, and God had mercy upon us, and so I like the description of the Psalmist saying This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, saved him out of all his troubles. So many illustrations of this in scripture, poor men that cried and received mercy. We think of the blind man in Luke's gospel [Luke 18:38-39](#) And cries out son of David have mercy upon me, and then the apostles rushed to try to quiet him, and all the more he cries out son of David Have, mercy, and Jesus stops. [Luke 18:41](#) What would thou help me to do that I might receive my sight, he says, and receive thy sight and so, and the Lord stops. He hears the petition of the earnest prayer, and we received the benefit from the hands of this magnificent benefactor of heaven, so this poor man cried, and the Lord heard him saved him out of all his troubles. I want to focus a bit on this word saved I like the word a

lot. It's a grand description uh, at the funeral last night we had so many people there. It was incredible, really the room was absolutely full and people outside of the room, and I was glad for that, because that's an opportunity to give the the words of salvation, and I began by saying, you know, that the person that had passed here had done so well. Sadly, by overdosing on some drug. With all that said, this poor man cried unto the Lord, and he had been saved early in his life, came to the church on our church bus when we ran it through Munhall, and he gave his heart to the Lord early on, and then, of course, got tied up with the devil, got involved with the world of the lost. He just recently came back to church and he and his sister, and renewed his belief in the Lord, but now scarred by a life of addiction, and so he had been clean for, oh, I think about two months now which is a good thing. That's what he wanted he wanted to be free, but the devil doesn't give up so easily, so kind of pulling back the temptation he fell back into his habit one last time, and it killed him, and often does, by the way, because the person remains clean for a season and then they go back to use it goes right to the heart, and so he died, but I said, you know God saves sinners, that's who he saved. Saves people that mean it from their heart. Now I can't judge who is saved and lost, but I would believe what the scripture says, and right here, in fact, this poor man cried. So we recognize our frail condition, and we cry unto the Lord, and the Lord hears, and the Lord saves. So I asked the question last night how many of you here in this room are saved? And there were some that were lifting their hands, but mostly the people in the room did not know that the term, did not understand the term. And I said to them who in the room is a Christian, probably most of the people will put their hands up because they were they have some kind of affinity towards Christ. You haven't gone to church you know, so they would say they were Christians, but you know, the word saved makes all the difference. A person that knows Christ knows the expression to be saved. What that means the acknowledgement of our impoverished condition, our sinful state. That need to be pulled, as it were, out of the fire out of the pit. So I love the word saved. We find it throughout the Psalms. [Psalm 109:26](#) Help me oh Lord my God Oh save me according to thy mercy. Uh so when I assembled this particular slide a little while ago, I said, you know, this is a, this is a good picture of our condition here we're teetering over the edge. We're about to fall into the pit. There's really no hope for us unless somebody comes to our rescue, and so I kind of liked that picture. You could see it almost in the face of this woman. Help me, but I can't help myself, and then we find the powerful hand of the Lord extended, and we're saved, and we're saved according to his mercy. [Psalm 40:1-3](#) I waited patiently for the Lord; And he inclined to me and heard my cry, brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock and established my goings. You put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God. So many shall see it, and fear and trust in the Lord so. That certainly does bespeak what salvation is. Other passages that we could cite here. Is there? [Zechariah 3:2](#) Is this not a brand plucked out of the fire, and that's very descriptive as well. So in other words, we're already singed with the with the flame surrounding us. We're that close to falling into the pit for eternity, and of course the Lord comes and he sees us in this pitiable state, and he comes down with his mighty arm to save, and that's that's how he pulls us out of the fire. [1 Corinthians 3:15](#) So if any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss. This fellow last night will have lost his reward as a believer because he's giving himself over to sin, but he himself shall be saved. Yet so as by fire. Curious expression, but you know, the fire can burn all around the house, and the house collapses under the destruction, but not the foundation. The foundation stands, sure, because it's made of cement, mortar and block. So Christ is our foundation, but life upon the rock well we're saved, even though the fire comes to test what our commitment is. [Jude 23](#) So others, save with fear, pulling them out of the fire anything, even the garment spotted by the flesh. [Psalm 55:16](#) As for me, I will call upon

God, and the Lord shall save me. Beautiful word so this poor man cried and the Lord heard him, saved him out of all his troubles.

[Psalm 34:7-9](#) The Angel of the Lord encamps round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. So here we'll just take a little journey, discuss the power of God's protective hand. So God has his agents watching over us call them what you will, guardian angels and so on, but it's all taken from a passage like this. Where we have the Lord watching and camping around the believer, and it's a good thing we have that protection. We're not aware of it, by the way most of us think that we save ourselves by our own agility, our good sense, that sort of thing, you know, God will show us in heaven how many dangers we're lurking about us that we were absolutely unaware of, and of course, that's just from the physical standpoint. Consider the spiritual warfare that all of us are assaulted with on an hourly basis. [Ephesians 6:12](#) We're not even aware of the invisible forces, the principalities the rulers of the darkness of this world, spiritual wickedness in high places, that the Bible speaks about all of this, that surrounds us constantly, and we being unawares, just certainly as [Daniel 10:20](#) was praying, three weeks fasting, wondering why no answer came and when Gabriel finally breaks through the line, he lets them know I had to fight with the king of Persia and the king of Grecia, so he was dealing with demons that hindered the effects of the guardianship that that was entrusted to him. So this passage I said it says it all really in [Hebrews 1:13-14](#) But to which of the angels said he at anytime sit on my right hand? Time may find enemies thy footstool. Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for them? Who shall be heirs of salvation? So the passage has a lot to do with this protective essence of the uh silence of these angels. They're ministering spirits and they're sent forth. So see this notion of God sending them on assignment, angels coming on assignment to protect the heirs of salvation. Here's that passage again [Psalm 91:10-12](#) There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague coming out of their dwelling, for he shall give his angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against the stone. You know [Matthew 18:10](#) it speaks about the fact that we've had these angels watching over us. There it is, [Matthew 18:10](#) Take heed that you despise not one of these little ones, for I saying to you, that in heaven there angels do always behold the face of my Father, which is in heaven, so suggestive, that right right from birth, that we have the angels. That are overseeing, and protecting and guarding. Oh oh, we'll know the whole story ultimately once we get to heaven, but for now, we're satisfied with this revelation. Then of course we have [Acts 5:18-20](#) You know the apostles putting into the common prison notice this that the Angel of the Lord came by night and opened the prison doors and brought them forth, and said, go stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life. So it's rather fascinating thing here we'll find the angels coming to release the unjust imprisonment of the apostles, and the Old Testament we see a rather glorious thing, of course. These angels are not seeing they do not manifest themselves in such a way that we can see them in the physical sense, but there were opportunities where they would manifest, especially Old Testament, and we see that case in the [2 Kings 6:17](#) So he answered, fear not, for they that be with us are more than they that be with them, and Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see, and the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. So the battle was this was a uh actually already in array. The children of Israel feared Elisha. The prophet said nothing to worry about. We've got more on our side than they have on theirs and and that's when the vision opened and we could see

the invisible forces that were in play here and that would win the day for the children of Israel. [Daniel 6:19-21](#) Of course, we're reminded of that most familiar time that an Angel came to deliver Daniel, who was sent down to the lions den. And that next morning when Darius opens the door to the top of this lions den with Daniel is your God able to deliver you from the mouth of the lions, and Daniel jubilantly proclaimed my God, has sent his Angel, and hath shut the lion's mouth that they have not hurt me. So, um we can claim the same protective powers. [Psalm 91:11-12](#) For he shall give his angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways. So we're going to, we're going to take hold of that good promise and be glad for today, angels watching over you.

[Psalm 34:8](#) Well, we'll move on to the next line. Where it says oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. So how's that cake walk right now? Hi, everybody. Like your little chocolate cake? Well all it takes is a little taste, right? I use the illustration of going into those not that I do it very often, but if you go into a giant eagle or some of these places. I think I had to go one time into McGuinness which was in Monroeville, uh, so I had to go in there and they had the well, they had a little counter that was set up and there was a fellow behind the counter and he's offering a taste, right. So they give you a little sample on toothpick. Now I know some of you have gone back maybe four or five times. Figure you know you might as well get the you know as much as you can get. It's a free bite, isn't it, but they just give you enough to wet the appetite and what do you do? Then you go and buy, and say I'll take, you know, I'll take 10 pounds of that cheese or whatever they're going to give up so sampling, sometimes that's all it takes is to sample and say this is this is worth whatever the price is to get to the whole matter, it almost says how sweet are thy words into my taste. Yeah, sweeter than honey to my mouth. So you see here, put the put a Bible in this guy's hand. They sampled this, these same taste, see that the Lord is good. It doesn't take much. Just take a little sample and you'll realize what you're missing, and it would be worth selling all you know to buy the pearl of great price. Well, we'll move to the next line. Of course, there's much to say about sampling uh, we have people that just sample you know, I think of [Hebrews 6:4-6](#) there's a very difficult portion that people use to prove that you can lose your salvation, and we see them tasting of the powers of the world to come, and people say, well, they're partakers of the Holy Spirit. They're tasting of the powers of the world to come. They they must be saved, and then they lose it well, in fact, all they were doing was sampling. Sampling is one thing people can come to church and they do, and they sample, and then I don't know I'm always perplexed that look and say what they sampled it. They even say that it was good, but they don't return, and of course the devils got a lot of detours and he takes people on detours so often, but I would think after sampling some of the power of the word of God that would say I need to get back to this, and taste and see the Lord is good. So he says, taste and see the Lord is good, but there's no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack and suffer hunger. The way they seek the Lord shall not want any good thing so one can certainly imagine here in this place we got that line. He's hungry, right? Reliance the young lions do lack and suffer hunger. So that's even possible, and they'll be on the prowl looking for some way of satisfying that, but the Lord he has, he has a wonderful way of providing for us our common needs doesn't always give us everything we want because everything we want isn't good for us. All of you that have raised children know that children want things that they shouldn't have, and good and wise parent denies them that because they're not mature enough to accept its responsibilities. [Philippians 4:19](#) So the Lord likewise like he provides what we need according to his riches and glory, and we shall not want, while we know that they that

seek the Lord shall not want any good thing. So we can expect that the Lord will provide for the sheep of His pasture. He will feed us, I say. It tells us there is. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd. He shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, which will gently lead those that are with. Yeah, and everybody knows the promise. It's many people have used as a favorite verse. [Philippians 4:19](#) But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus, and the [Psalm 84:11](#) says a similar thing here. No good thing will he withhold from them that walk up rightly. So we know quite well this passage that [Psalm 34:10](#) they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing. So we shall not want for anything that is good the thing that we need. So we might have a positive of material goods or things that we think we we actually need when we don't need it, and the Lord knows all about that, and his wisdom provides our needs according to his great riches. Hope everybody here can say Amen to that, that you realize that the Lord has indeed [Ephesians 3:20-21](#) exceeding abundantly above all that we could ask for, think provided. What is people? That needed alright so the great need, of course, is salvation, and that the Lord has an abundance of mercy. So often when we see these passages, we tend to use them in conjunction with temporal needs, when in fact the greater need is the spiritual needs and that God has made an abundant provision to save us. [Psalm 85:10](#) Mercy and truth are met together. Righteousness and peace of kissed each other. Now we know that that happens and can only happen at the cross where the Lord and wonderful mercy demonstrates. Uh his ultimate sacrifice on the cross pours out His blood to save and to cover our sin record here he was the way, the truth, and the life, the only one that lived the truthful life. Who has every right to condemn us, as he had the right at that moment in [John 8](#), to condemn the the harlot woman who had committed adultery, but instead shows her mercy. The truth was she was a sinner. The truth was that she deserved judgment, but mercy was shown. Mercy and truth were met together at that moment, and righteousness and peace were met together. Now what a glorious passage [Psalm 85:10](#) is. So we have that notion that we should not want for any good thing. The Lord is going to demonstrate abundant mercies to us so in [Proverbs 16:6](#) By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: And the fear of the Lord men depart from evil.

[Psalm 34:9-11](#) Alright, so we speak of the fear of the Lord here as well. So the young lions do lack and suffer hunger: But they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing. Come, you children, I will teach you the fear of the Lord. What man is he that desireth life, and so on. So to understand a bit about the fear of the Lord, I I didn't extended teaching on this I think Wednesday night, but the fear of the Lord, and what it means, and the expressions themselves throughout the Scripture, certainly means to respect, to honor, to stand in awe of the Lord, but it also speaks of the fear of the Lord and the sense of terror that comes to the heart of those who are not saved. That that's a different kind of fear, but notice here [Proverbs 8:13](#) we have the fear of the Lord. Is to hate evil pride and arrogancy in the evil way, the froward mouth. Do I hate? So that's what the fear of the Lord will teach us. [Proverbs 9:10](#) And the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. The knowledge of the holy is understanding [Proverbs 10:27](#) the fear of the Lord, prolonged days, but the years of the wicked shall be shortened. [Proverbs 14:26](#) In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence and his children shall have a place of refuge. [Proverbs 14:27](#) The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life. To depart from the snares of death. So that's just sitting there in the book of Proverbs, but the fear of the Lord, the motion of the fear of the Lord, is found throughout the scriptures and certainly in our current text here. So that we know that teach me the fear of the Lord, teach me how to

walk according to your way to hate evil uh, for pride and arrogancy and these are things that have no place in the believers life. Boasting one speaks about great he is and great things he's done and so forth. Men are not great. God is great uh true believers walk humbly before God acknowledged that without him we could do nothing. That's the fear of the Lord, and the fear of the Lord should possess the believer on a daily basis, all of us walking in the fear of the Lord, and thus the fear of the Lord prolonged days. So something to keep in mind., and we wanted to live a long life and a healthy life. The fear of the Lord will help us to do that I find so many people in a weakened condition simply because they cling to certain habits and will not discipline the flesh as a result, they shortened their lives. You know, part of the aspects of discipline and Christian discipleship is denying the flesh. [Luke 9:23](#) Jesus said if you would follow me, you must deny yourself. Take up the cross and follow me. So too many people are not willing they want to cling to things that God has already taught them wrong to do wrong to do this, and so we shorten our lives. So keep in mind you, we're walking in the fear of the Lord walk, watching everything that we do. You know, there's other passages here that we could look at. [Deuteronomy 31:12](#) gathered the people together, men and women and children. And thy stranger that is within thy gates they may hear that they may learn and fear the Lord your God, and observe to do all the words of this law. So you know, I was mentioning preaching last night to a rather large crowd of people. So most of them are unregenerate. So at first I'm recognizing these are people are not used to hearing the word of God. They're not, they don't attend church and so you know this will be foreign to them and difficult for them to sit through it. We've all seen the effects of you know, people being bored. Preachers just going on I mean, I've been in situations where preachers went way too long and you have, you have the crowd here. It's not they're not tuned into it. They're they're not. They can't listen for an hour. So I believe that you've got to weigh who the people are that are before you. The strangers that are within the gates, and we want them to hear, we want to learn what the fear of the Lord. So oftentimes I employ humor intentionally especially at a funeral because there's a lot of grief, there's a lot of heartache, there's a lot of self recrimination. People think I should have done this, I should have done that for him, and we wanted to kind of ameliorate all of that. We want to lift that, and so oftentimes a certain degree of levity I wanna apply that, but I wanna be careful about this because at the end what I'm trying to do here is draw the listener in, and to get them to like me and then to get them to like Jesus. So to tell them the truth, and I felt last night we could do that, and so we got them to that point and I could tell that we were, they were all engaged, and I mean you could hear a pin drop in that room and that's where I wanted it to be. Because it would be time then, to introduce the hard things. To introduce them to the fear of the Lord, and to invite them to consider their souls eternity. So that they they would become sober minded, so that we could, we could change the tone, but of course we have to engage the listener first, that they may hear that they may learn, and then learn of the fear of the Lord, and then observed to do all the works, that is. Wonderful words, yes, and in [Joshua 4:24](#) we find that all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord that is mighty. That you might fear the Lord your God forever. So that's the object let's see here. Well, we'll go one more. What man is he? The desire, the life and loveth many days that he may see good. So I think God wants us to live a nice and long life, right? And we want to be servants of the Lord long as he would give his breath, and so what is a long life? That's that's an interesting concept. The Bible tells us how to live a long life. [Proverbs 3:1-7](#) another one of those handfuls of promise we'll see if we get to a [Proverbs 3](#). Where he says, my son, forget not my law, but let thy heart keep my commandments for length of days, and long life and peace shall they add to thee. Let not mercy and truth forsake the bind them about thy neck, Write them upon the table of thine heart. So shalt thou find favor and good

understanding in the sight of God. Yeah man, so, so one of the long life, and there are a lot of people tell me they don't want to live to be 90. They don't because they've seen the effects, you know, and what happens to the body at that point and everything starts falling apart, you know, but that's physically, but spiritually, of course, we can live under the power and anointing of God's spirit. [2 Timothy 1:7](#) give us a good mind, I think, especially if we know his word. Keep his word in our heart. That that we can avoid some of this that happens with the memory impairment. I mean some of it's inevitable obviously, you know, the brain begins to not function like it used to, but I think knowing the word will help you a lot. So length of days long life, peace shall they add to the and of course mercy and truth, right? Let mercy and truth forsake thee. Let not mercy and truth forsake the bind them about thy neck. You know it's like wearing a necklace right them upon the table of thy heart. Choose where so fastidious in keeping this particular aspect of proverbs that they actually invented phylacteries, where they would tie and bind with leather straps the the word of God and little leather compartments and bind them around their. Their hearts, around their heads they wear them and around their arms. This was a way that they felt they were actually keeping what the scripture is giving us as a commandment here. So they'll find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man. All right so we'll get back in probably next week our lessons in [Psalm 34](#). Hopefully you've all profited by this.

Let's pray. So, Lord, thankful for the group here today for all that attend these studies. Hopefully, Lord, they do so by obtaining edification, strength that each one of us, Lord, reminded of these grand promises, and that we will be wise doers of that which we have heard today if any conviction has fallen upon us, if change needs to be made, that you'll give us the power to do just that. So how grateful we are that one day we shall see you as you are, and we'll see you face to face. We will be changed from glory to glory. That which is a mere earnest and a down payment within our heart will manifest our being the fullness of your spirit. You will correct all the matters of this cursed world, and the physicality, Lord, that as time goes on, begins to decompose, we know, Lord, that you will give us a glorified body in one that will know no suffering, pain, agony or aging. So we have a grand prospect. Help us not to fear. We know, Lord, that in the world that there are those that are fear mongers who make millions of dollars frightening people. We're not here to do that. We're we're here to to live above all that. We already know the end of the destiny of a sinful world. We know that it ends with the combination of the coming of our Lord and Savior. The earth and the things that are therein will be burned up, but according to His promise, we look for new heavens and the new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. So make us a contented people today. Help us to apply our hearts diligently to this holy Word. Let us bind thy word about our neck and write it upon the tables of our heart in Jesus Name Amen.