

OVERCOMING YOUR FEARS THROUGH FAITH (Psalm 27)

7 FACTS ABOUT FEAR

1. There is a _____ and _____ kind of fear.
2. The meaning of the Greek word for “fear” (phobia / phobeo), as determined by its context, can be used to refer to:
 - a. A _____ fear of coming danger or harm. (Luke 21:26; Rev.11:13)
 - b. A _____ and _____. (Proverbs 1:7; Romans 3:18)
 - c. A _____ towards human _____. (Rom. 13:4, 7)
 - d. A _____ for someone’s well-being. (2 Cor.11:3)
 - e. A _____ due to mis-focus and unbelief. (Matt. 14:26-31)
3. Fear in the human race began in the Garden of Eden due to man’s _____. (Genesis 3:10)
4. The keys to overcoming your fears revolve around your...
 - a. _____ - who or what is your object of faith such as the goodness, love, faithfulness, and promises of God.
 - b. _____ - your decisions to trust in the right object of faith, i.e. the Lord.
5. Some of the great and precious promises of God addressing our fears are:
6. While unbelievers live in fear and the bondage of _____ which is only relieved through being saved (Heb. 2:14-15), believers should “fear” (be legitimately concerned about) such things as:
7. Principle to remember: “There is _____ in love; but perfect love _____ fear, because fear involves _____. But he who fears has not been made perfect _____.” (1 John 4:18)
 - How does this apply to you as a believer in Christ?
 - How does this apply to you as an unbeliever?

A. The PROTECTION by the SAVIOR. (27:1-6)

1. The *source* of our victory is the _____, and the *means* of this victory is walking by _____, not by sight or your feelings. (vs.1-3) How did David view the Lord? How is this unlike legalism?
2. The *secret* to our victory in walking by faith is to emphasize your _____ fellowship with the Lord in order to _____ the beauty of the Lord and to seek His _____ for guidance. (vs.4-5) How does this correspond with John 15:5 and 2 Corinthians 3:18?
3. The *success* of our victory by God's grace should result in offering _____ of joy and _____ praises to the LORD. (vs.6) How is this expressed in the NT? What happens when we walk by sight, feelings, or unbelief?

B. The PETITIONS to the SOVEREIGN. (27:7-12)

1. His *spiritual request* was for the LORD in His grace to _____ and _____ his prayer for _____, reflecting his dependence upon God and not himself. (vs.7) How is this different today than in David's day?
2. His *singular response* was _____ and from the _____ to the LORD's command to "seek My face", which exalted His sovereignty. (vs.8) How does this response rebuke the license thinking & practice of today?
3. His *specific requests*. (vs.9-12) What was David confident of? What can you learn from this about prayer?

C. The PROCLAMATION to the SAINTS. (27:13-14)

1. His *encouragement to those struggling with fears*. (vs.13) "I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living."
2. His *exhortations to fellow-believers*. (vs.14)
 - a. You "_____ on the _____."
 - b. You "be of _____." What is the promise connected with this?
 - c. You "_____ on the _____."
 - Some closing applications: