

**Whom Then Shall I
Fear?**



Psalm 27 (NIVUK)

¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation –
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life –
of whom shall I be afraid?

² When the wicked advance against me
to devour me,

it is my enemies and my foes
who will stumble and fall.

³ Though an army besiege me,
my heart will not fear;

though war break out against me,
even then I will be confident.

⁴One thing I ask from the LORD,
this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the LORD
and to seek him in his temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble
he will keep me safe in his dwelling;
he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred
tent and set me high upon a rock.

⁶Then my head will be exalted
above the enemies who surround me;
at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of
joy;
I will sing and make music to the LORD.

FEAR!!!



Fear

- An unpleasant emotion caused by the threat of danger, pain, or harm.

- A feeling of anxiety concerning the outcome of something
- The likelihood of something unwelcome happening.
- A mixed feeling of dread and reverence.

(as defined by The Oxford English Dictionary)



Fear of What?

- What other might they think of me as?
- Getting it wrong
- Not being liked
- Not fitting in

IDENTITY



Our Identity is in Christ!!!

Therefore, there is now **no condemnation** for those who are in Christ Jesus, because **through Christ Jesus** the law of the Spirit who gives life has **set you free** from the law of sin and death.

Romans 8:1-2 (NIVUK)

You did not choose me, **but I chose you** and **appointed you** so that you might go and bear fruit – fruit that will last.

John 15:16 (NIVUK)

But you **will receive power** when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and **you will be my witnesses** in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8 (NIVUK)

Who or what is holding you
back.....?

From doing what.....?

Then Saul said to Samuel, 'I have sinned. I violated the Lord's command and your instructions. *I was afraid of the men and so I gave in to them.*

1 Samuel 15:24 (NIVUK)

Yet at the same time many even among the leaders believed in him. But because of the Pharisees *they would not openly acknowledge their faith for fear* they would be put out of the synagogue;

John 12:42 (NIVUK)

Who or what is holding
you back.....?

From doing what.....?

There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

1 John 4:18 (NIVUK)

Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 (NIVUK)

‘Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or discouraged because of the king of Assyria and the vast army with him, for there is a greater power with us than with him. With him is only the arm of flesh, but with us is the Lord our God to help us and to fight our battles.’

2 Chronicles 32:7-8 (NIVUK)

TRUST

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- Fear of the Lord should motivate us to step out...rather than the fear of man preventing us from stepping out.

Fear of man will prove to be a snare,
but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept
safe.

He said: 'Listen, King Jehoshaphat and all who live in Judah and Jerusalem! This is what the Lord says to you: "Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's."

2 Chronicles 20:15 (NIVUK)

And I will fear no evil
For my God is with me
And if my God is with me
Whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear?

Oh no, You never let go
Through the calm and through the storm
Oh no, You never let go
In every high and every low
Oh no, You never let go
Lord, You never let go of me

You never let go.

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COURAGE!

FEAR!!!

