

Dear God...Why Am I Fearful?

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1...Fear Does Not Come From God

2 Timothy 1:7 *For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind*

1 Samuel 16:14-15 & 23 **14** *Now the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD terrorized him. **15** Saul's servants then said to him, "Behold now, an evil spirit from God is terrorizing you. **23** So it came about whenever the evil spirit from God came to Saul, David would take the harp and play it with his hand; and Saul would be refreshed and be well, and the evil spirit would depart from him*

2...God is For Us--and if He is for us who can be against us.

Psalm 46:1-3 **1** *God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.*

2 *Therefore * we will not fear, though the earth should change And though the mountains slip into the heart of the sea; **3** Though its waters roar and foam, Though the mountains quake at its swelling pride*

Psalm 34:4 & 7 **4** *I sought the LORD, and He answered me, And delivered me from all my fears **7** The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, And rescues them*

Psalm 56:3-4 **3** *When I am afraid, I will put my trust in You.*

4 *In God, whose word I praise, In God I have put my trust; I shall not be afraid. What can mere man do to me?*

Isaiah 41:13 *For I am the LORD your God, who upholds your right hand, Who says to you, 'Do not fear, I will help you*

Psalm 91:1 & 3-8 **1** *He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High Will abide in the shadow of the Almighty **3** For it is He who delivers you from the snare of the trapper And from the deadly pestilence. **4** He will cover you with His pinions, And under His wings you may seek refuge; His faithfulness is a shield and bulwark. **5** You will not be afraid of the terror by night, Or of the arrow that flies by day; **6** Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, Or of the destruction that lays waste at noon. **7** A thousand may fall at your side And ten thousand at your right hand, But it shall not approach you. **8** You will only look on with your eyes And see the recompense of the wicked*

3....There is Freedom From Fear

2 Timothy 1:7 *For God has not given us a spirit of fear, **but of power and of love and of a sound mind***

1 John 4:18 *There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love*

