

Part 11 - Our Fearless Future

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have everything I need. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul...

...He leads me in the right paths for his name's sake. Even when I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me! Your rod and staff they comfort me...

...You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows...

...Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

WHY WE CAN LIVE IN A

FEARLESS FUTURE

Because of God's Goodness

The Lord watches over all who love him...

God orders his angels to protect you wherever you go.

- Psalm 91:11 LB

We know that all that happens to us is working for our good if we love God and are fitting into his plans.

- Romans 8:28 LB

Therefore, I Will Stay Grateful and Generous

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures forever.

- Psalm 118:29 MEV

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be moved, let us be gracious, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.

- Hebrews 12:28 MEV

Tell them that the kingdom is here. Bring health to the sick. Raise the dead. Touch the untouchables. Kick out the demons. You have been treated generously, so live generously.

- Matthew 10:7-8 MSG

Good comes to those who lend money generously and conduct their business fairly. They do not fear bad news; they confidently trust the Lord to care for them.

- Psalm 112:5-9 NLT

...They are confident and fearless and can face their foes triumphantly. They share freely and give generously to those in need. Their good deeds will be remembered forever. They will have influence and honor.

- Psalm 112:5-9 NLT

2. Because of God's Grace

I will have mercy on you through my grace.

- Isaiah 60:10 LB

I will...not forget the glorious things God does for me. He forgives all my sins. He heals me. He ransoms me from hell. He surrounds me with loving-kindness...

...He fills my life with good things...

He is merciful and tender toward

those who don't deserve it;

He is slow to get angry...

...He never bears a grudge... He has not punished us as we deserve for all our sins, for <u>His mercy</u>...is as great as the height of the heavens...

...He is like a father to us, tender and sympathetic to those who reverence him.

We can come before God's throne where...we can receive mercy and grace to help us when we need it.

- Hebrews 4:16 NCV

Therefore, I Will Be Gracious to Everyone

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

- Ephesians 4:32 ESV

There is no room in love for fear. Well-formed love banishes fear. Since fear is crippling, a fearful life fear of death, fear of judgment is one not yet fully formed in love.

- 1 John 4:18 MSG

3. Because of God's Glory

God also wanted to reveal his abundant glory, which was poured out on us who are the objects of his mercy, those of us whom he has prepared to receive his glory.

- Romans 9:23 GNT

Therefore, I Will Live My Life for God's Glory

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

- Matthew 5:16 ESV

For as you know him better, he will give you, through his great power, everything you need for living a truly good life: he even shares his own glory and his own goodness with us!

- 2 Peter 1:3 LB