

Fear Not : Joseph

Questions for Sunday, December 7th, 2025

- 1- How do you think Joseph's internal struggle between fear of shame and fear of unworthiness might resonate with challenges people face in their own lives today?
- 2- In what ways does knowing that God calls you personally by name change how you view your own worth and significance?
- 3- The sermon mentions that 70% of people experience debilitating feelings linked to shame and unworthiness. What are some practical ways the church community can help people overcome these struggles?
- 4- What does it mean to you that Jesus took our shame and unworthiness upon himself on the cross, and how does this truth impact your daily life?
- 5- Joseph was described as an ordinary person with nothing that made him stand out, yet God chose him for an extraordinary purpose. How does this challenge our cultural definitions of significance and success?
- 6- The angel addressed Joseph as 'son of David,' connecting him to a larger story and purpose. How can remembering that we are part of God's greater plan help us navigate our fears?
- 7- Why do you think the angel's message to Joseph was 'do not fear' rather than 'do not be angry' or 'do not be disappointed,' and what does this reveal about the nature of Joseph's struggle?
- 8- In what ways might we be trying to overcome shame and unworthiness through our own efforts rather than trusting in what Christ has already accomplished?
- 9- How does understanding that we are 'co-workers in God's service' as Paul described change the way we view our everyday roles and responsibilities?