

Fear Counts, Faith Blesses

"Fear counts what it might lose. Faith counts who it might bless."

BIG IDEA Fear and faith are both counting. Fear tallies what you might lose; faith tallies who you might bless. Bold generosity means switching columns.

KEY POINTS

- If you wait for perfect conditions, you'll never plant or reap (Ecclesiastes 11:4).
- Faith gives without a tracking number and trusts the return (Ecclesiastes 11:1).
- Fear doesn't just close the hand; it closes the eyes to people in need (Proverbs 28:27).

SCRIPTURES

Ecclesiastes 11:4 · Ecclesiastes 11:1 · Proverbs 28:27 · 2 Timothy 1:7 · Philippians 4:19

TODAY'S CHALLENGE Take the gift you've been afraid to give. Write down who it would bless, by name. Then give it, and trust Philippians 4:19.

REFLECT

1. What 'wind and clouds' have you been watching instead of planting?
2. Whose name belongs in your faith column today?

PRAY *God, You didn't give me a spirit of fear. Help me stop counting losses and start counting people. I trust You to meet every need.*

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