

Philadelphia Church

Freedom from Fear

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Definition

Phobia- An extreme or irrational fear of or aversion to something.

Definition

Agoraphobia- extreme fear of crowds, open spaces or crowded spaces.

Definition

Phobophobia- an abnormal fear of developing a phobia period anxiety about showing signs of a phobia.

What are you afraid of?

- ◆ Losing your freedom
- ◆ The Unknown
- ◆ Pain
- ◆ Disappointment
- ◆ Misery

- ◆ Ridicule
- ◆ Rejection
- ◆ Death
- ◆ Failure
- ◆ Loneliness

Isaiah 41:10-13

¹⁰ So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.¹¹ “All who rage against you will surely be ashamed and disgraced; those who oppose you will be as nothing and perish.¹² Though you search for your enemies, you will not find them. Those who wage war against you will be as nothing at all.¹³ For I am the LORD your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Two fears in the Bible:

- ◆ 1- Respect, honor, reverence and awe.
 - ◆ 2 Corinthians 7:1- Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.
- ◆ 2- Dread, terror, anxiety and distrust.
 - ◆ Luke 12:31-32- ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. ³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom

Some common fears we must battle:

◆ Fear of responsibility

◆ Matthew 25:25- 25 So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.

◆ Fear of failure

◆ 1 Corinthians 15:58- 58 Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

◆ Fear of lack of provision

◆ Philippians 4:19- 19 And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

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◆ Fear of others

◆ Luke 12: 4-7- ⁴ “I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. ⁵ But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him. ⁶ Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. ⁷ Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

◆ Fear of death

◆ Hebrews 2: 14-15- ¹⁴ Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil— ¹⁵ and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.

Definition

- ◆ Faith/Fear same definition- believing that something which hasn't happened will come to pass.
- ◆ Isaiah 26:3-³ You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you

Consequences of living in fear:

- ◇ Render us ineffective
- ◇ Lose our joy
- ◇ Stops us from doing His will
- ◇ Cause us to be lost
 - ◇ Revelation 21:8- 8 But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.”

Luke 9:62

⁶² Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.”

Proverbs 28:1

The wicked flee though no one pursues, but the
righteous are as bold as a lion.

John 16:33

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”



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