



Guardians of Faith

Over Coming Fear to Calm Our Spirit



Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

John 1:12-13



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FEAR



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Defined: An unpleasant emotion caused by the belief that someone or something is dangerous, likely to cause pain, or a threat.



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does not get you to stop
believing it gets you
to believe differently



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Using Fear

Insurance Companies

Government

Violence

Economy

Health





Be Still and Know that I am God

Fear

Jesus Taught About It!



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Matthew 6:25-34



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Fear

manifest outwardly but its
really an internal issue



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WORRY

allow one's mind to dwell
on difficulty or troubles



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ANXIOUS

nervousness, typically about an imminent event or something with an uncertain outcome.



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This is a mind battle!



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Satan is Laughing at Us!

Battle of the Mind

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood,
but against the rulers, against the authorities,
against the powers of this dark world and against
the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Ephesians 6:12



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Fear is short sighted

What you will eat or drink; or about
your body, what you will wear.



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We are a people that only thinks about today

**We are a people that left to our own desire
only concern ourselves with us**

**We are a people that are focused
on the here and now**



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**Fear is a direct result
of misdirected faith**

Matthew 6:28-32



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QUESTIONS

Are you not much more valuable than they?

Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?

**Can any one of you by worrying add
a single hour to your life?**

Why do you worry about clothes?

**If that is how God clothes the grass of the
field, which is here today and tomorrow is
thrown into the fire, will he not much more
clothe you— you of little faith?**



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**What are you placing
your faith in?**



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BIRDS

Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them.



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Flowers

See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.



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Fear Not

I have plenty



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Fear Not

I have plenty

I have not forgotten you



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Fear Not

I have plenty

I have not forgotten you

I am in control if you let me



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What are you placing your faith in?

For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.



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What are you placing your faith in?

In Jesus' opinion fear that creates
worry comes from us not believing
God will come through



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What are you placing your faith in?

And since we are afraid God is
going to let us down, we take it
upon ourselves



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Stopping Fear is about Knowing God

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

v. 33-34



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Focus my thoughts not on This Life but on Life

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14:6



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HOW?



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Guardians Assemble!