

## God is Greater Than Our Fears

There are legitimate fears. Fear can be understood in the sense of respect & honor because there is a recognizable power inequity. Fear government if you do evil (Rom. 13:4). Fear God (Ps. 19:9; Eccl. 12:13-14; Matt. 10:28).

Yet there are also empty fears that discourage faith. FEAR IS...

F \_\_\_\_\_  
 E \_\_\_\_\_  
 A \_\_\_\_\_  
 R \_\_\_\_\_

Who feeds these sorts of fears and our doubts? The devil (John 8:44)! But God answers – Fear Not!

### I. Some F.E.A.R. God Is \_\_\_\_\_

A. F.E.A.R.s like:

1. The story of \_\_\_\_\_ is always under the surface.
2. The attitude of \_\_\_\_\_ is celebrated as open minded and tolerant in society.

B. God's Word Answers (Rom. 10:17):

1. God is the \_\_\_\_\_ and designer of the world (Gen. 1:1; John 1:1-3; Col. 1:16)
2. The Creation testifies to the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (Ps. 19:1-2; Rom. 1:20).  
Design demands a designer!
3. God is there and He has \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb. 1:1-2).
4. The sufficiency of inspired \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Pet. 1:3).

C. God is greater than our fears! Faith is the victory (1 John 5:4)!

### II. Some F.E.A.R. God Does \_\_\_\_\_ Them

A. F.E.A.R.s like:

1. Bad things happen in the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Bad things happen in my \_\_\_\_\_.

B. God's Word Answers (Rom. 10:17):

1. God does \_\_\_\_\_ things for \_\_\_\_\_ people (Matt. 5:43-48).
2. God gets blamed \_\_\_\_\_ for bad things.
  - a. Wicked people are responsible for their wicked deeds (Ezek. 18:20).
  - b. Sin harms (Rom. 6:23).
  - c. Time & chance factor in as well (Eccl. 9:11; Lk. 13:4-5).

3. God's great love is expressed in \_\_\_\_\_ souls not \_\_\_\_\_ lives (Rom. 5:6-8; 1 John 4:8-10, 19).

C. God is greater than our fears! Faith is the victory (1 John 5:4)!

### III. Some F.E.A.R. God's \_\_\_\_\_ Isn't The Answer

A. F.E.A.R.s like:

1. The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ – what does a 2,000 year old book have to do with me?
2. The Church is for \_\_\_\_\_ – spiritual people don't want that.
3. No one comes back from the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. God's Word Answers (Rom. 10:17):

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the power to salvation (Rom. 1:16).
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the body of the saved and will be saved (Acts 2:47; Eph. 5:23).
3. Jesus Christ rose from the grave and will raise us \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor. 15:3-4; John 5:28-29).

C. God is greater than our fears! Faith is the victory (1 John 5:4)!