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NO FEAR

There are opportunities every day to let fear enter our lives. Fear of failing on the job; fear of not having enough money to pay your bills; fear of death; fear of plagues; fear of the end times. The list could go on and on. Satan works through fear to control us and torment us. If he can get us to give in to even one speck of fear, it will grow into a mountain.

We know through scripture that God did not give us the spirit of fear. So, if God didn't bring it who did? It comes through Satan. All fear of every kind comes from Satan. Fear robs us of faith and brings torment.

There is a story of a man that was riding the box cars of a railroad from state to state. He got into a refrigerated box car and the door shut locking him in. It was winter and it was cold out. What he didn't know was that the boxcar was not working. No refrigeration was being put into the boxcar. Yet, he let fear enter him, believing that he would freeze to death in that "refrigerated" boxcar. They found him dead the next day. Satan brought fear in, and the torment came with it.

When I was young, I was bound by fear of the dark. Many times, older children and adults would talk about the "boogie man" coming at night to "get you." Unless you have been a child controlled by fear you couldn't understand it, but one day I was set free of that fear and the Spirit of God replaced it. I was set free. I no longer had that fear. Yes, it tried to come back, but I had to resist it.

Do you have fear in your life? You must reconcile yourself to the fact that it didn't come from God. In II Timothy 1:7 it says, ***"For God hasn't give us the spirit of fear, but of power, love and a sound mind."*** We have the spirit of power, love and a sound mind that overrides any fear that Satan can send. But it is up to us to walk in those three things and not allow fear to control us. You must not allow any thoughts that bring fear to enter your mind.

We keep fear at length by speaking out God's promises. There are so many good things that God has promised for every situation. Dig into the word and find them. You must train your mind to listen to what God says instead of Satan.

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