

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).

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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)!