Fear Not

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Isaiah 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

Just about everyone who knows me knows this is my favorite verse in the Old Testament. The main reason I love this verse so much is the encouragement it gives me in my day to day living.

God knows we humans struggle with fear and being discouraged and dismayed because of the many different trials we face in this life. This scripture tells me how to overcome this fear and discouragement in my life.

The first key to overcoming fear is knowing and believing that God really is with you. If you are going through the valley of the shadow of death all by yourself, then you have reason to be afraid. However, when God is with us we do not need to fear any evil. So do you really believe God will never leave you nor forsake you? How you answer this question is going to determine if you will be able to overcome fear.

I notice in this scripture that there are positive statements of God's presence, His strengthening us, and His helping us stacked one on top of the other. I believe this is meant to drive the point home again and again that our God who loves us and is ever present with us will truly help us in our times of need. Sometimes I need to hear the point more than once before it sinks in.

When everything is going well in our lives, it is easy to be at peace and speak confidently of our trust in the Lord. The real test of our faith in God comes in the storms and the trials of life.

This scripture is given as a life raft for us to cling to in the middle of the storms of life. When you go through the trials of life, Satan will try to convince you that you are alone in the trial, God does not care, and no one will help you. Once this is believed, fear will rush in behind it and you will spiral down in discouragement. Fear torpedoes faith and causes us to sink the same way Peter sank. So when the next storm comes in you life, remember this verse and cling to it in faith.

March Birthdays

04 Kent Blakelock 04 Mariorie Reed

13 Kassandra Kern

07 Edie Sumner

22 Sonny Stine22 Sharon Wheeler

11 Logan Bennett

27 David Alcorn



Smile and pay someone a compliment today.



March Anniversaries

09 Kent & Phyllis Blakelock

17 Sonny & Linda Stine

NEWSLETTER

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Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study

9:45 AM

Sunday AM Worship

11:00 AM

No Sunday PM Service

Wednesday PM Bible Study 7:00 PM

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We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during worship.



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Friendly Reminder - BLUE LIGHT

When the "blue light" is lit at the front of the auditorium it means "Quiet Please"

Prayer List In our prayers let's praise God, recognize His greatness, and thank Him for His blessings.

Those that attend: Mildred Lynum, Bill Flanagan, Anna Brink, Frank Marsden, Bill Kinney, Pat Hazlett, David Alcorn, Darlene Reed, Butts & Edie Sumner, Chris Highway, Candi Butcher, Cheryl Mellott, Joyce Cameron, Willow McFarland, Tahlia Willis, Logan Bennett, Kyra Kyle, Bev McArthur, Maria Swindlehurst, Jean Cameron, Sonny Stine, Marvis Garrett, Brenda Nelson, Diane Mellott, Heather Bennett.

People in other places: Renee Kinney, Tim Mellott and family, T.J., Wednesday Rahelich, Jack Openshaw, Betty Leistner, Denise Garlitz' grandchildren and her son Jeff, Mary Lou, Carol's sister Holly, Frank's niece, Tony & Egla Grana, Susan Barrett & family, Karen Anstee, George Beckwith, Doris & Mary Jane Mess, Andrea, Red & Goldie Crow, Samantha Allee, Cheryl Wheeler, Karen & Joe Costanzo, Cindy, Levi, Jeanne Johns, Lionel & Bonnie Weir, Loretta Gorito, Kay Ables, Mary Lou, Gloria, Linda Mudd, Dorothea Johnson, Tammy, Rita D, Jenna, Billie Jo Potter, Debbie Curry, Jaye Boyle, Barry Mitchell, Martha, Andrew, Vanessa Lewis, Jurek family, Mary, daughter of Don & Virginia Hipwell in Fenwick, ONT., Williams family, Mary, Elijah Heath, Mary, Mary Lou & Louise (Anna Brink's sisters), Jean Fitzgerald, Penny Hayes, Malissa Layton, Th'alise Robinson.

Let's pray as we continue our preacher search process.

Updates:

Ray & Bev McArthur both have the flu bug. Jean Cameron - strep, Maria Swindlehurst - eye infection, Louella Hopkins is dealing with an infection. Pat Hazlett and Sharron Gantt have been under the weather. Pat was with us Wednesday. Sharron is showing signs of improvement after having her meds changed.

Bill Fisher, Sharron Gantt's brother, twisted his knee and was hospitalized in Florida

Betty Leistner, a friend of Denise Garlitz, is not doing well at all.

Ashley, Denise Garlitz' niece, is pregnant and needs our prayers.

Noreen Andrews has pneumonia.

<u>Also</u>

Let's pray for family, friends, and loved ones of our members who are having health and other problems.

Let's not only remember those that are physically sick but those that are spiritually sick as well.

Let's remember to pray for our shut-ins and to call and send cards.

Let's pray for those dealing with family situations as well as work situations.

Let's pray for those of our number who are looking for employment.

Let's pray for those who may be traveling.

Let's pray for the work we help support in Sardinia, NY.

Let's pray for God's people that are doing mission work all over the world.

Let's pray for people the world over that we may all learn to get along with each other.

Please check the "Love One Another" and "Answered Prayers" boards in the back of the auditorium.

Sun. AM Adult Bible Study 2nd Corinthians

Sermon Topic Today: Three Words That Can Change Your Life

Scripture Reading: Matt. 11:28-30

No Sun. PM Bible Study

Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study 10 AM at the building.

Wed. PM Bible Study 2nd Samuel

Upcoming Events (Lord willing)

Feb. 25 Today. Men's Business Meeting. (Postponed from last Sunday)

Mar. 10 Set clocks ahead one hour before going to bed.

Mar. 17 Ladies Day Horseheads church of Christ Please see posting.



Trays Today

Diane Mellott

Read Me

Posted on the Message Board

Please read the letter from Carol Jones concerning a recent meeting with the V.A.

Address for Holly Brown (Carol Jones' sister)

She could use some words of encouragement.

Ladies Devotional

Friday Mar 23rd 6:30 PM Facilitated by Denise Garlitz

Any ladies interested in doing a ladies devotional please see the sign up sheet on the Message Board.



Praise God! The church that meets in Sardinia and at LaSalle celebrate God's blessings! The church here has been blessed to help the church in Sardinia with their mortgage and as of February 2018, their building debt is paid off. What a joy to celebrate with our brethren. Glen Mueller will be preaching here on March 4.

Pray church, pray!

We all need to be asking God to bring the right man (and family) to serve in the pulpit.