Precious Promises—Fear



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"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has chosen gladly to give you the kingdom."—Luke 12:32, NASB

References: Reprint 5038: "Reprove the Works of Darkness"

- 1) What group is Jesus addressing? What is the fear that Jesus is referring to and why might they have such as fear? John 10:3,4,7-11,14,15; 21:15-17; Matt. 5:3; Luke 22:28-30; Heb. 12:25-29; 2 Tim. 2:10-12; Matt. 19:28; 1 Pet. 2:5,9,10; 2 Pet. 1:3,4
- 2) What promises, provisions and helps has God provided so that we might not fear as mentioned in Luke 12:32? Rom. 8:29-39; Heb. 6:10,13-20; Eph. 1:5-14; John 17:27; Psa. 19:9; 23:4; 25:14; 31:19; 34:7,9,11; 66:16; 91:4; 103:11,13,17; 111:5,10; 115:11,13; 145:19; 147:11; Isa. 41:10,13; 51:7,8; Mal. 3:6,16-17; Matt. 10:29-31; Luke 5:8-10; 12:6-7; Rom 8:15; ! Cor. 10:13
- 3) Does Jesus' statement in Luke 12:32 conflict with the many statements that we should fear God and our Lord? Why or why not? Prov. 2:1-12,20,21; 8:13; 9:10; 10:27; 14:26,27: 15:33; 16:6; 19:23; 22:4; 23:17; Eccl. 12:13; Isa. 8:13; 11:1-5; Mal. 3:16,17; Matt. 10:28; John 12:5; Acts 5:5,11; 9:31; 13:16,26; 2 Cor. 5:11, 7:1; Eph. 5:21, 6:5; 1 Pet. 1:17,18; 2:17; Rev. 11:18, 19:5
- **4) Does Jesus' statement conflict with the fear that Paul mentions in Heb. 4:1? Why or why not?** *Psa. 86:11; Rom. 11:20; 2 Cor. 7:11; Phil. 2:12; 2 Pet. 1:5-8,10,11; John 10:27-29*
- 5) Should we fear what experiences we might face as tests of loyalty to God? Why or why not? Psa. 27:1,3; 46:1-7; 118:6; Prov. 29:25; Matt. 10:24-28; Luke 12:4; 21:16; John 7:13; 12:42; 19:38; 20:19; Rom. 13:3,7; 1 Pet. 3:14; Rev. 2:10
- 6) If we find ourselves beset by fear, how should we deal with it? What helps can we seek from God, our brethren and other sources? *Phil. 1:14; 1 John 4:18; 1 Thess. 5:17; Psa. 37:4-11; Col. 3:1-4; Phil. 4:6,7*