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MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

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August 1, 2022

DAY 1 TOPIC: DON'T BE AFRAID!

Text: Psalm 112:6-8

"6. Surely he will never be shaken; The righteous will be in everlasting remembrance.

7 He will not be afraid of evil tidings; His heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

8 His heart is established; He will not be afraid, Until he sees his desire upon his enemies." NKJV

So many people are living with fear in this nation now. But the righteous shall live without fear because we only fear the Lord. The fear of the Lord is a reverent and holy fear you need to have in a time like this.

It is a deep respect for who God is and what He can do. Proverbs tells us that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

In fact, if we have a healthy fear of God, we can live without the fears that trouble most of our lives.

In this Psalm, the Bible says such people do not fear bad news.

Last week when we heard news that one dollar was N710 in the morning and in the evening on the same day it rose to N716, people were panicking they believed that is what determines our economy, these are fears that haunt so many people today.

PRAYER....

The fear of Boko Haram and Fulani herdsmen is there that is Mekong many people to develop hypertension while traveling.

Qtn.: How can we conquer our fears?

Ansr.: Faith overcomes fear. Courage is not the absence of fear; it is acting despite your fears.

Faith enables you to do that. The Psalmist says that those who confidently trust the LORD to care for them ... do not fear bad news!



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They are confident and fearless. What a promise to claim! Are you ready to claim that in a time like this. Wouldn't you like to live your life like that? - Fear free life, You can! How? In another Psalm 118:6-7 the Bible says: *"The LORD is for me, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me? Yes, the LORD is for me; He will help me."* (NLT)

This is a disposition of faith, a confidence in God's unconditional love for you and I. What do you put your confidence in? Pilots put their confidence in their planes. Commuters place their confidence in trains, cars or buses. Each day, we must put our confidence in something or someone. If you are willing to trust a plane or a car to get you to your destination, are you willing to trust God to guide you here on earth and to your eternal destination? When you get into a plane, how much effort do you exercise to fly? None! Even in the plane we believe that is the only safe means of transportation in Nigeria now, it would look really funny if you begin flapping your arms in it. The flight attendants would probably usher you out of the plane before it take off! The only effort you make is to sit back, buckle your seatbelt, and relax. You simply let the plane fly you to your destination. The more you fly, the less conscious you become of the faith you are exercising in that plane to fly you. When we put our faith in God, we can relax in the all-sufficient arms of a Heavenly Father who holds us in the palm of His hand! He's got it all under control! We don't even have to be afraid of bad news that is going on in the world now. Does that mean that bad things won't happen? Faith is not some vaccination that inoculates us from bad things. This is a fallen world, and few get out alive and unscathed (Not harmed or damaged in any way; untouched) but we don't have to live in fear. We can live in faith, trusting our Heavenly Father to keep what we have committed unto Him.



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The Psalmist gives us a practical way to handle our fears in Psalm 56:3-4. It was written by King David who was a mighty man of God and a courageous soldier that led the armies of Israel with great victories.

Even he struggled with fear; but, as he grew in faith, he found a way to conquer those fears.

What did he do? He said, "When I am afraid, I will trust in You. I praise God for what He has promised. I trust in God, so why should I be afraid? What can mere mortals do to me?"

When David felt afraid, rather than panic, he prayed and reassured himself with the promises of God.

When bad news comes into your life, you have a choice. You can panic and accept or you can turn to God and reject it in prayer, trusting His promises that He loves you and will never leave you nor forsake you.

Put your confidence in God and live fearlessly!

PRAYERS:

Dear God, in this month help me to turn to You when I'm tempted to panic. I trust in Your promises to care for me so I don't have to be afraid of what may happen.

O Lord my God, bring me into that disposition of faith that makes me fearless and to have confident your word IJN.