



Standing For Truth

Part 7: Overcoming The Spirit Of Fear

2 Timothy 1:7

2 Timothy 1:7 — “For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

The specific context of this verse is Paul's exhortation to Timothy to not be afraid of those who might try to harm him. Paul reminds Timothy that he has been given a spirit of power, love, and soundness of mind.

Hebrews 2:14-15 — “Forasmuch then as the children (talking about us) are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself (talking about Jesus) likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death (we are by nature afraid to die) were all their lifetime subject to bondage.”

Matthew 10:28

Romans 8:15 — “For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.”

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

“When you are no longer afraid to die, for the very first time, you are ready to live.” — **Adrian Rogers**

Proverbs 1:7 — “The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

Proverbs 8:13 — “The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.”

Psalms 89:7 — “God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all *them that are* about him.”

John 8:32 — “And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

I. Power - The Spirit of God

Psalm 34:3-4 — “O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.”

- A. Power over fear and anxiety
- B. Power to overcome trials and tribulations
- C. Power to live a victorious life

1 John 4:4

II. Love - The Heart of God

1 John 4:4, 8, 17-18

*Love is the theme, love is supreme;
Sweeter it grows, glory bestows;
Bright as the sun ever it glows!
Love is the theme, eternal theme!*

- A. Love that casts out fear
- B. Love that empowers us to love others
- C. Love that transforms us from the inside out

III. Sound Mind - The Mind of Christ

- A. A mind that is focused on God's truth
- B. A mind that is disciplined and self-controlled

Philippians 4:4-9

- C. A mind that is at peace in the midst of chaos

Isaiah 26:3 — “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.”