

ARE YOU AFRAID?

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Introduction:

Text: Luke 12:4-12

As Christians, to overcome...

A. The fear of death, we need to know...

1. There is more to life than body: “Soul” (v.4)
2. There is fate worse than death: “Hell” (v.5)
3. There is greater power than human authority: “God” (v.5)
4. There is no fear in love: “Cross of Christ” (1 John 4:18)

B. The fear of being disremembered, we need to know...

1. Our worth in Him (v.6)
2. That we are known by Him (v.7)

C. The fear of being disowned, we need to...

1. Acknowledge Him before men (v.8-9)
2. Believe and receive the witness of the Holy Spirit (v.10; Mark 3:28-29)

D. The fear of discouragement, we have the Holy Spirit as our...

1. Counselor (v.11)
2. Teacher (v.12)

Conclusion:

TABLETALK STARTERS (For family devotions and Life Group discussions)

1. According to most surveys, the fear of death or dying is high in the list of the most common fears that people deal with in life. What do you think are the main reasons why people fear death or dying?
2. Read Luke 12:1-4 and answer the following questions:
 - a. Jesus was preparing His disciples for the coming challenges, persecutions, and conflicts that come with following Him. How does He distinguish to His disciples the wrong kind of fear to the proper kind of fear (Luke 12:4-7)?
 - b. In your own opinion which is easier, to die for Christ or to live for Him daily? Please explain why.
 - c. Out of the four types of fear mentioned in the sermon, which one has affected your life the most and why?
3. Read 1 John 4:7-21 and answer the following questions:
 - a. How can experiencing God's perfect love through faith in Jesus can help a person overcome the types of fear mentioned in the sermon outline?
 - b. Please complete the sentence: A person who has been made complete in God's love will....
4. Break into groups of 3 and share with one another the fears in life that you are still struggling with, then encourage and pray for each other.