

Be Careful Not To Misperceive Your Faith!

Faith
Erroneously
Aimed in
Reverse

Faith
Exerted
Against
Righteousness

Heb. 12:2 - Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Matthew 10:28-31 (ESV)

28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.

30 But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.

31 Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Lk. 8:22-25 (ESV)

22 One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they set out,
 23 and as they sailed he fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger.
 24 And they went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased, and there was a calm.
 25 He said to them, "Where is your faith?" And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even winds and water, and they obey him?"

Ps. 111:10 (ESV) - The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

Ps. 19: 9 (ESV) - the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

Pr. 1:7 (ESV) - The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Pr. 2:1-5 (ESV)

1 My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you,
 2 making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding;
 3 yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding,
 4 if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures,
 5 then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.

Pr. 9:10 (ESV) - The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Pr. 10:27 (ESV) - The fear of the Lord prolongs life, but the years of the wicked will be short.

Pr. 14:27 (ESV) - The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death.

Pr. 15:33 (ESV) - The fear of the Lord is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor.

Pr. 16:6b (ESV) - By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the Lord one turns away from evil.

Acrophobia – the fear of heights.

Hylophobia – the fear of the forest.

Technophobia – the fear of technology.

Triskaidekaphobia – the fear of the number 13.

Pyrophobia – the fear of fire.

Abluthophobia – the fear of bathing.

Arachnophobia – the fear of spiders.

Claustrophobia – the fear of closed spaces.

Gamaphobia – the fear of marriage.

Pentheraphobia – the fear of your Mother-in-Law.

Ecclesiophobia – the fear of church buildings.

Homilophobia – the fear of sermons.

Lachanophobia – the fear of vegetables. I bet they hate to watch Veggie Tales.

Caligynephobia – the fear of beautiful women.

Arachibutyrophobia - The phobia related to the fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth.

Hippopotomonstrosesquipedaliophobia (Hippopoto-monstros-es-quipe-dalio-phobia)– The fear of long words.

Panophobia - The fear of everything which is.

Phobophobia - The fear of phobias.

John 14:1-3 (ESV)

1 "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

Job 5:7 (ESV) - but man is born to trouble as the sparks fly upward.

If you are an "afraid" person, you will be "a frayed" person!

Here are the three reasons we should not have ungodly fear we find in John 14:1-3...

1. We know who Jesus is!

John 10:30 (ESV) - I and the Father are one.

John 1:1-2 (ESV)

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 He was in the beginning with God.

2. We know He is preparing a place for us!

3. We know He is coming back to get us!

Isaiah 43:1-2 (ESV)

1 But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

Isaiah 41:8-13 (ESV)

8 But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, the offspring of Abraham, my friend;
 9 you whom I took from the ends of the earth, and called from its farthest corners, saying to you, "You are my servant, I have chosen you and not cast you off";
 10 fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
 11 Behold, all who are incensed against you shall be put to shame and confounded; those who strive against you shall be as nothing and shall perish.
 12 You shall seek those who contend with you, but you shall not find them; those who war against you shall be as nothing at all.
 13 For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I am the one who helps you."

4. God is with us!

Joshua 1:9 (ESV) - Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

5. God has established a father – child relationship with us!

6. God has promised His help!

Psalm 46:1-3 (ESV)

1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
 2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
 3 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. Selah

Philippians 4:6-7 (ESV)

6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.
 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Mark 11:22b (ESV) - "Have faith in God.