

Fear, and "end times"

The Lord told Abram, I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward. Those who bless you will be blessed and those who curse you shall be cursed.

We also are gifted with these promises because God's gift to us is Himself, and this is what He has. He is impenetrable to evil. He is our sanctification. If God is our shield, what can get past Him? As though He was off guard? Are you "in Christ"? He prayed the Father to keep us from evil, and the Father never denied that request. It needs to be appropriated. We do this by applying His Word to our understanding. We put this on.

"Who is he who will harm you if you become followers of what is good". Do not be afraid of their threats.

And we can put this on as well

Romans 8. ²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His* purpose. ³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? ³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? ³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord".

When you learn who you are "in Christ", then the end times fascination of the whole world going to hell in a hand basket way of thinking unravels. You learn to close the door to Satan's purpose of driving you from God through fear like he did to Adam and Eve. You fulfill the verse in yourself when Christ asked the Father to keep us from evil. And so He does. Satan is shown defeated by the cross.

We defeat fear in this way because "he who fears has not been made perfect in love because fear

involves torment". But we have the peace of God.

All the subsectors and the powers of darkness were neutralized and defeated at the cross for us to have this peace. And just as Moses was told to instruct the Israelites to look at the Rod in his hand wrapped by a snake, so too we look to the cross and are healed. "On Him was laid the iniquity of us all, and by His stripes we are healed". Christ took the serpent with Him. This is how we appropriate the gift of the cross. With our tool of faith we believe and receive. A steep price was paid for you to have this. Despise not the gift.

And of those on whom the tower of siloam fell? Christ said "unless you repent, this will likewise happen to you". This thinking generates fear. When we operate by fear, we are turned from God and looking the wrong way. To repent is to reverse your thinking. Discard your fear for faith and honor God. He will honor you for doing so. Those who bless Him will be blessed, and those who curse Him will be cursed. Not because He curses you, but because these are immutable and immovable laws in the spirit. Re-calibrate your thinking with this message. Even as 1st John 2.4 says "I have written to you, young men,

Because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you,
And you have overcome the wicked one."

How? By believing the things Gods word says.

In Isaiah 8 there were those who rejected the peace of God by looking to fearful fascinations. Of these people God told Isaiah “

¹¹ This is what the Lord says to me with his strong hand upon me, warning me not to follow the way of this people:

¹² “Do not call conspiracy
everything this people calls a conspiracy;
do not fear what they fear,

and do not dread it.

¹³ The Lord Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy,
he is the one you are to fear,
he is the one you are to dread.

And we can reiterate these words again today of the multiple presentations of end times theories that change with every new news article. And the conclusion of these scripture twisters?

²² Then they will look toward the earth and see only distress and darkness and fearful gloom, and they will be thrust into utter darkness.”

They are ignorant of the saving of the cross and refuse to be renewed in their mind by Gods Word and the working of faith, to see everything the way God sees them. God is not out of control. The King of Kings and Lord of lords controls all these things.

Paul said "not to let anyone take our reward". It is important to wrestle in your mind for the things you have been given. For "the Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holt Spirit. He who does this is ecepted by God.

His Kingdom is at hand.