**PERSONAL NOTES**

**FEAR NOT**

**Part 5 - Fear of Sin & Rejection**

OPEN

1. Over the past few weeks we have talked about various fears that we face in life (list)

FEAR OF INTIMACY

FEAR OF FAILURE – FOLLOW GOD’S PLAN

FEAR OF THE DARK - (DARK THINGS, DEBT, DEATH)

FEAR OF CHANGE

1. But tonight as we celebrate Christmas and the birth of our savior Jesus Christ
2. I want to talk about one last fear that plagues us all at one time or another.
3. The Fear of SIN AND REJECTION – FEELING ALONE.

SYMPTOMS

1. Feel like God has rejected you.
2. Have you ever felt that your sin makes God mad at you?
3. You’ve messed up BIG this time?
4. You can never be good enough to get right with God.
5. FELT ALONE AND NOBODY understands your pain?

REMEMBER

1. WHAT THE ANGEL PROCALIMED – FEAR NOT!!!
2. Joseph’s dream Matthew 2

**Matthew 1:20-23**But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. **21**She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, **because he will save his people from their sins.” (Not – “Get them for sinning”)**

The LIE, misconception, and error that Jesus came to the earth is to defeat:

“God is out to get you and smite you for your sin and mistakes.”

EX: God is out with a baseball bat looking to take you out!!

Either formulate your beliefs based upon here say, stories, and feelings ORRRR the Written Word of God!

JOHN 10:10 The thief’s purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

God’s BOOK to humanity about his TRUE Character.

**Look at VERSE 22-23**

**22**All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: **23**“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”—which means, **“God with us.”**

* GOD wants to know you, spend time with you
* Be a part of your daily life.
* NOT religion - relationship

John 3:16 “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**James 1:17** Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

**Psalms 103** Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—**3**who forgives all your sins (Who has sinned?) and heals all your diseases, **4**who redeems your life from the pit  and crowns you with love and compassion, **5**who satisfies your desires with good things     so that your youth is renewed like the eagles.

**God is a lover – not a hater.**

**God is a giver – not a taker.**

**God is a healer – not a crippler.**

**Your sin and mistakes don’t disqualify you from God!**

**What was the mission and purpose of Jesus coming to earth?**

**Why leave the heavenlies and come to earth?**

**For deity to put on humanity??**

GOD WITH US – God to re-establish his relationship with US.

“Easy to feel alone, isolated, abandoned, separated from God.”

No matter where you are, where you’re going – God is with YOU.

TWO STORIES:

**Elisha and the servant (2 Kings 6)**

1. The prophet has been telling the King of Israel where the ambushes have been set
2. King of Aram – out to get him – finds he is in the city of Dothan – Surround the city with their army
3. Next morning the servant gets up on the wall – horses and chariots, warriors!!!!”
4. “Elisha!!!!”
5. **16**“Don’t be afraid,” the prophet answered. “Those who are with us are more than those who are with them.”

**17**And Elisha prayed, “O Lord, open his eyes so he may see.” Then the Lord opened the servant’s eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

**18**As the enemy came down toward him, Elisha prayed to the Lord, “Strike these people with blindness.” So he struck them with blindness, as Elisha had asked.

1. He leads them into captivity!
2. ONE MAN – armies of God!

More that be with us than be with them

**Three Hebrew Children - Daniel 3**

**16**Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter.

**17**If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king. **18**But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

Heated the furnace SEVEN times hotter. Tied and bound – threw

**24**Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, “Weren’t there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?”

They replied, “Certainly, O king.”

**25**He said, “Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.”

**HEBREWS 13:5-6** . . . “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” **6**So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?”

**DAVID - PRAYED**

**Psalm 139** O Lord, you have searched me     and you know me.

**2**You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. **3**You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. **4**Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O Lord. **5**You hem me in—behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me.

**6**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. **7**Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? **8**If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths,you are there. **9**If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, **10**even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. **11**If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,”

**12**even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Jesus – It is expedient that I go –

**John 14:16 AMP**

**16**And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor (Liaison, go-between, mediator), Advocate (support, promote, encourage you and back you), Strengthener, and Standby), that He may remain with you forever—

**CLOSE:**

1. **ONLY REQUIREMENT: Let HIM in!**
2. **Ask for his HELP**
3. **Ask for HIS Grace, comfort**
4. **Guidance**
5. **Surrender**