

## PERSONAL EVANGELISM #3 - REJECT THE FEAR OF MAN

### MATTHEW 10:26-33

Too often we concern ourselves with maintaining "good favor" with the lost. If we "fear" them, we can't WIN them.

#### I. THE COST OF FEAR

- A. Fear cost greatly in the talents - MATT. 25:24-28
  - 1. God gives us talents and we use them for HIM
  - 2. Usury: A great salesman tithes or becomes a great preacher of the Gospel? Which is greater?
- B. Peter sank in water because of fear - MATT. 14:28-30
- C. Disciples afraid of Paul and doubted - ACTS 9:26
- D. God doesn't use the fearful soldiers - JUDGES 7:3
- E. Adam and Eve hid for fear - GEN. 3:10

#### II. ACT WITHOUT FEAR

- A. Our text proves that fear has no point or place
  - 1. God knows everything (hearts) - MATT. 10:29-31
  - 2. What's best for a friend? Heaven or Hell?
  - 3. Persecution will come - MATT. 10:22, 24
- B. Not peace but a sword - MATT. 10:34-39
  - 1. There is no way to compromise with the world
  - 2. We must pick a side - JAMES 4:4
- C. Don't worry about "making a mistake" in witnessing
  - 1. We have no call to speculate about unknowns
  - 2. We have EVERY call to tell what we know
  - 3. Truth even if they DON'T believe JOHN 3:11-12
- D. We are in GOD'S HAND!

#### III. BENEFITS OF FEARLESSNESS

- A. No need to be careful (worried and afraid) DAN. 3:16
  - 1. BUT IF NOT - follow God and let Him WORK
  - 2. The results are not our concern!
- B. Just follow the LIGHT - PSA. 119:105
  - 1. Don't pay any attention to the darkness beyond
  - 2. If you're looking at the world and the dangers, then you aren't looking at the GUIDE.

CONCLUSION: The Christian can safely TRUST in God's watch care. We need neither fear nor worry but simply follow the leadership of God and His Word (Lamp unto my feet and Light unto my Path)

# Personal Evangelism Handout

REQUIREMENTS TO EVANGELIZE	EVERY SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY
<p><b>Believer in Christ (Be Saved)</b>            “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.” (Matt. 6:33)</p> <p><b>Burdened for the Lost</b>            “For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!” (1 Cor. 9:16)</p> <p><b>Bible Workmanship</b>            “So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.” (Isa. 55:11)</p> <p><b>Battle in Frequent and Fervent Prayer</b>            “Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.” (James 5:16)</p> <p><b>Bow to Holy Spirit Direction</b>            “And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;” (Eph. 5:16)</p>	<p><b>Reject the “Man-Fearing” Spirit</b>            “And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.” (Matt. 10:26)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p><b>Recommend Simple Scripture</b>            “So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.” (Isa. 55:11)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p><b>Relate Your Testimony</b>            “Men, brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defense which I make now unto you.” (Acts 22:1)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p><b>Request More Time</b>            “King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.” (Acts 26:27)</p>