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Job 3:25 – 26

“For the thing I greatly feared has come upon me. And what I dreaded has happened to me. I am not at ease, nor am I quiet; I have no rest, for trouble comes.” Job 3:25-26

The fearful are in danger!

“But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and fornicators, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake of fire...” (Revelation 21:8). But you say, “I’m a Christian, how can I be in danger?” Fear is the opposite of faith. Without faith we cannot please God. (Hebrews 11:6). Fear robs the believer of the means to please God and to realize the promises He has made to us. “The just shall live by faith.” To live in fear is a serious contradiction of our faith, for faith lives by the Word of God and the fearful conversely live by what is seen or perceived by the senses or imaginations of the heart.

While a person’s fears may or may not be the cause of their problems, fear can so paralyze our faith that we actually begin to believe for the worst. If left unchecked, we will then begin to speak out of our fears and then, “what we have feared will come upon us.” It is our “faith words” or our “fear words” that sets the course for our lives. “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.” (Proverb 18:21; also see James 3:2-12).

“Lord, help me to fear only You. May my faith rest in You and my words echo my heart’s confidence that I trust fully in Your goodness!”

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