FREEDOM FROM FEAR

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The basic fears which people face can be grouped into 3 categories:

THE FEAR OF DIFFICULTY

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last..." Rev. 1:17

... <u>JESUS</u> can <u>FREE</u> you from the fear of difficulty because He is <u>BEFORE</u> and <u>AFTER</u> any difficulty you face.

2. THE FEAR OF DEATH

"....and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.." Rev. 1:18

There are 3 reasons why <u>JESUS</u> can <u>FREE</u> you from the fear of death:

- A. <u>JESUS</u> was <u>DEAD</u> ... so <u>HE UNDERSTANDS</u> death! (18a)
- B. <u>JESUS</u> was <u>DELIVERED</u> ... so <u>HE</u> has <u>CONQUERED</u> death! (18b)
- C. <u>JESUS</u> has <u>DOMINION</u> ... so <u>HE CONTROLS</u> death! (18c)

3. THE FEAR OF DESTINY

"Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches." Rev. 1:19-20

... <u>JESUS</u> can <u>FREE</u> you of the fear of not living out your <u>PURPOSE</u> or destiny because He has a <u>PURPOSE</u> for your <u>LIFE</u>.

...God, through the <u>HOLY</u> <u>SPIRIT</u> offers us the 3 things we need to <u>CONQUER</u> all our fears:

- A. "The <u>SPIRIT</u> ... of <u>POWER</u>" ... <u>CONQUERS</u> the fear of difficulty!
- B. "The <u>SPIRIT</u> of <u>LOVE</u>" ... <u>CONQUERS</u> the fear of death!
- C. "The <u>SPIRIT</u> of <u>SELF-CONTROL</u>" ... <u>CONQUERS</u> the fear of destiny!