THE QUEENS MINISTRY

BIBLE BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

LESSON: Choose Faith over Fear-2

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"Don't worry – I am with you. Don't be afraid – I am your GOD. I will make you strong and help you. I will support you with my right hand that brings victory." (TLB) Isaiah 41:10

It's been just a little over two (2) years since we studied this lesson. And not much has changed! Some would venture to say that things have gotten worse and not better!

Look around, since the pandemic of epic proportions has hit the world, so much added turmoil, and chaos has taken place. Even as we try to get back to a sense of normalcy after the upheaval of the pandemic – many still face worry, fear, and anxiety. There is much instability and uncertainty, not only in our nation, but the world at large. Yes – right now we can repeat what we said previously: "Right now, SO MUCH IS GOING ON!"

But there is good news, there is hope! For God has not changed! He is the same yesterday, today and forever! Especially for the believers we have the confidence and hope that we are not in this alone! God is with us! He is near.

"Never will I leave you, nor will I forsake you" – are His words to those that have <u>faith in</u> Him.

He even tells us in Isaiah 43:2-3a

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the LORD your GOD."

"When you go through deep waters and great trouble, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown! When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up-the flames will not consume you. For I am the LORD your GOD, your Savior, the Holy One of Israel. (TLB)

What Great News! Praise GOD!

But not only that – GOD has also said that He has also given us tools, and resources, and has equipped us to handle difficult, even perilous times, such as these.

Let's look at what GOD has offered to us that have faith in Him. In the above verse, Isaiah 41:10, He tells the readers several things to help us keep the faith:

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| Part 1: Not Fear! |
| 2 Tim 1:7 tell us that GOD has given us a spirit of: |
| One thing though we see from this scripture verse that GOD has not given us, |
| What is fear? |
| Some say fear is false evidence that appears real. Good thought – but does it help when you're faced with some "real" challenging moments or situations? We need more than a good saying! |
| What to do to combat this – Author and Pastor Tony Evans tells us – "The way to get more faith and overcome worry is through expanding your understanding, view of and submission to GOD." |
| What does His word say - the Bible tells us to choose faith or trust in GOD over the fear or worry or concern of our situation(s). |
| Let's explore verses that help us to choose faith and trust in GOD over the fearfulness of our situations. |
| Part 2: I am with you! |
| 1) Deut. 31: 6, 8 |
| 2) Ps. 9:10 |
| 3) Ps. 23:4 |
| 4) Ps. 37:25 |

| 5) Ps. 145:18, 20a |
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| 6) Is. 43:2 |
| Part 3: I am your GOD |
| 7) Ps 23:1 |
| 8) Ps 46:10 |
| 9) Eph. 1:19 |
| 10)Jer. 17:7 |
| 11)Ps. 138:6a |
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| Part 4: I will strengthen and help you |
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| 18)Ps. 5:1-2 |
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| 19)Jer. 33:3 |
| 20)Ps. 138:3 |
| Conclusion: |
| In choosing faith over fear - Let's remember a few things that will help us make this decision more in difficult, challenging, and hard times: Remember - |
| God cares for you and me |
| God sees all things – nothing surprises Him |

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God is God! He is Creator. He changes not – He is the same yesterday, today and forever more.

He is our Sustainer, our Provider, our Defender and Protector for all that trust Him.

God is able to do all things – nothing is too hard for our God.

God's power can change situations, circumstances, and problems.

God is in control - He is still on the throne.

God has given us His promises and assurances in His word that He will and can bring VICTORY!

God plans are better than man's.

God acts on our behalf, out of His goodness and love for us.

God is with us! He has not nor will He forsake us.

We can count on God - He is Faithful

God has sent His Son Jesus - to be our Savior.

The spirit of fear is not of GOD.

And finally, remember things change – and shall pass. There is a season for everything.

Lord, there is no one like you! For you are great and your name is full of power.

Jer. 10:6a

| faith over fear, write it down. Why does it help you during seasons of uncertainty? | |
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