

Matthew 8:23-27; Matthew 14:22-33

Don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell. What is the price of two sparrows – one copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows. Matthew 10:28-31 NLT

HOW TO QUIT LIVING IN FEAR:

1. _____ God only.

The LORD has given me a strong warning not to think like everyone else does. He said, "Don't call everything a conspiracy, like they do, and don't live in dread of what frightens them. Make the LORD of Heaven's Armies holy in your life. He is the one you should fear. He is the one who should make you tremble. He will keep you safe. Isaiah 8:11-14 NLT

2. _____ to God daily.

Surrender your heart to God, turn to him in prayer, and give up your sins – even those you do in secret. Then you won't be ashamed; you will be confident and fearless. Your troubles will go away like water beneath a bridge, and your darkest night will be brighter than noon. You will rest safe and secure, filled with hope and emptied of worry. Job 11:13-18 CEV

3. _____ God's gift.

For God did not give us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. 2 Timothy 1:7 NKJV

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. . . this is the secret: Christ lives in you. Colossians 1:27 NLT

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. . . perfect love drives out fear. 1 John 4:18 NIV

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all – how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Romans 8:31-32 NIV

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. . . we have the mind of Christ. 1 Corinthians 2:16 NIV

4. Live in authentic _____.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:23-25