

OVERCOMING FEAR

“Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night: nor for the arrow that flieth by day; nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday” (Psalms 91:5-6).

We live in a day that is increasingly threatening. Some of our fears are without foundation, while others are very real. How do we face such fears?

Jesus warned His disciples that they would face false teachers, wars, famines, pestilences, earthquakes and persecutions, but urged them, “See that ye be not troubled” (Matthew 24:4-5, 13). While such occurrences naturally disturb us, in Christ the believer has an assurance of the Lord’s presence and future hope. Troubling things have occurred and will continue to occur in our world until Jesus returns, but our faith is in Him who has overcome this world. He assured His disciples, “These things I have spoken to you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation (trouble): but be of good cheer: I have overcome the world” (John 16:33).
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