

FEARLESS LIVING

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“Jesus included everyone in his death so that everyone could also be included in his life, a resurrection life, a FAR BETTER LIFE than people ever lived on their own.” 2 Corinthians 5:15 (The Message)

“This resurrection life you receive from God’s Spirit is not a fearful life. You’re no longer a slave of fear anymore. Instead, God’s Spirit makes you his child and you now relate to God as your loving Father!” Romans 8:15 (The Message/NLT)

WHY CAN WE NOW LIVE FEARLESSLY? BECAUSE OF WHAT WE KNOW SINCE THE RESURRECTION

1. WE KNOW _____

“Jesus Christ was shown to be the Son of God when God powerfully raised him from the dead.” Romans 1:4 (NLT)

2. WE KNOW _____

“Jesus died and resurrected in order to break Satan’s power of death, and to free all who’ve lived enslaved to the fear of dying.” Hebrews 2:14-15

“We know that the same God who raised Jesus from death, will also raise us with Jesus! . . . This is why we never give up! Even though our physical bodies are becoming older and weaker, our spirit inside us is made new every single day! And the present troubles we’re going through right now are quite small and won’t last very long. But they are producing in us an eternal glory that is going to last forever!” 2 Corinthians 4:14, 16-17 (NCV/NLT)

3. WE KNOW _____

“God demonstrated his great love for us by sending Jesus to die for us even while we were sinning against him.” Romans 5:8

“May you be able to feel and really understand, how LONG, how WIDE, how DEEP, and how HIGH God’s love really is. May you experience this love for yourself, though it’s so great you’ll never fully understand it.”
Ephesians 3:18-19 (TLB)

“Nothing will ever separate us from God’s love! Death can’t, and life can’t. The angels can’t, and demons can’t. Our fears for today, our worries about tomorrow, and even the powers of hell can’t keep God’s love away! Nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that comes through Jesus Christ our Lord!” Romans 8:38-39 (NLT)

“Wherever God’s love is, there is no fear, because God’s perfect love drives out all fear.” 1 John 4:18 (NCV)

“Since fear is crippling, a fearful life is a life not yet fully formed in God’s love.”
1 John 4:18 (The Message)

4. WE KNOW _____

“Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we’ve been given a brand-new life and have everything to live for, including a future in heaven—and the future starts now!” 1 Peter 1:3-4 (The Message)

“And we know that in ALL things God works for the good of those who love him, and have been called according to his purpose.” Romans 8:28 (NIV)

5. WE KNOW _____

“I pray you’ll begin to understand the incredibly great power available to us who trust God. It’s the same mighty power God used to raise Jesus from death.”
Ephesians 1:19-20 (NLT)

“Jesus, the Son of God, has gone onto heaven where he is now our High Priest who helps us. So let us hold on to our faith in him and never stop trusting him. He sympathizes with our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same tests we do, without sinning. So then, LET US HAVE NO FEAR in approaching God’s throne of grace to receive his mercy and find his grace that will help us when we need it most!” Hebrews 4:16 (NJB/NLT)

Jesus: “Don’t worry about everyday life . . . Can all your worries add a single moment to your life? No! . . . So don’t act like unbelievers . . . Your heavenly Father already knows what you need . . . and he’ll give it to you IF you make his Kingdom your primary concern. And don’t worry about tomorrow. Each day has its own trouble.” Matthew 6:25-34 (NLT)

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