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### **Recognizing Fear**

## I. Recognizing Fear-What does fear look like?

- A. 1 Corinthians 13:4-Whatever love is fear isn't; whatever love isn't fear is
  - 4-Fear's not **patient** because it's afraid things will never change or that it will always be the way it is now
    - a. Patience-A continued and unfavorable circumstance doesn't change you
    - b. Faith in the of the enemy to keep it this way
  - 2. 4-Fear's not **kind** because it's afraid:
    - a. If it's always adapting to meeting your needs then it's needs won't be met
      - (1) Faith in the enemy that your needs aren't met
    - b. If it's taking care of your good, then its good won't be taken care of
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    - c. If it's too kind to you, you'll take advantage of it
      - (1) Faith in the enemy to see to it that you're taken advantage of & lose out
  - 3. 4-Fear is **envious** because it's afraid it will never get what you have
    - a. Faith in the enemy to keep you from ever having what they have
  - 4. 4-Fear **vaunts** itself b/c it's afraid that the truth won't be enough to impress you
    - a. Faith in the ability of the enemy to make you look bad
  - 5. 4-Fear **puffs** himself up and puts others down because he's afraid he won't look good enough without knocking you down
  - 6. 5-Fear is **rude** because:
    - a. Fear dishonors others because it's afraid it has no value himself
      - (1) Faith in the enemy to keep your value down
    - b. Fear is carless and inconsiderate of others because it's afraid that if it cares for others nobody will consider and care for it
      - (1) Faith in the enemy to see to it that you're not taken care of
    - c. Fear that if I'm not rude people might think I'm soft in some way
    - d. Fear is rude because it fears it won't get its way
      - (1) Faith in the enemy to see to it that you get the short end of the stick
  - 7. 5-Fear is **self-seeking** b/c it's afraid it he doesn't seek his own nobody will
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  - 8. 5-Fear is offended b/c it's afraid you or others believe that to be the truth
    - a. Faith in the enemy to keep the truth hidden

### 9. 5-Fear thinks evil

- a. Fear is a consistent thought pattern on what God didn't say; the gospel is good news fear thinks on evil news
- 10. 6-Fear **rejoices when others fall** because it's always afraid that somebody is going to get higher than me; afraid if you look too good, it will make me look bad
  - a. Faith in enemy to keep you down
- 11. 7-Fear doesn't **bear up**/endure what comes; it breaks down in times of pressure
- 12. 7-Fear doesn't **believe** because it's afraid that it's not true
- 13. 7-Fear doesn't **expect** because it fears it's hopes will be crushed
- 14. 7-Fear doesn't **endure** because it's not brave
- 15. 8-Fear always fails because it can't connect to the power necessary to win
- B. All sin & disobedience to God is rooted in fear; love obeys God, fear doesn't (1 Jn 5:3)
  - 1. If love is the root to your obedience, fear is the root to disobedience
  - 2. His commandments or not grievous; there's no loss associated with them
    - a. Afraid that if you obey God something negative will happen to you
    - b. He was afraid that if he did what Jesus said, he'd lose all his stuff (Mark 10)
  - 3. Faith in the enemy cause something negative to happen to you as a result of you obeying God
- C. All strife is rooted in fear (Strife-Contention, wrangling to get your way)
  - 1. All strife is rooted in the fear that won't get your way
  - 2. Genesis 26:20-Strife was the result of a fear of lack
  - 3. Faith in the enemy to work that thing out for your bad
- D. All discouragement and depression is rooted in fear (Deuteronomy 1:21)
  - 1. Discouraged-Deprived of courage or confidence; depressed in spirit, dejected; to be dismayed or afraid; Lack confidence & courage resulting in depressed emotions
  - 2. Discouragement is a fear that things are never going to change
    - a. You get discouraged because the circumstances are a way that you don't like them and you're afraid they're not going to change in the near future
  - 3. Faith in the enemy to keep it this way always
- E. All unbelief is fear dependent (Deuteronomy 1:26-32)
  - 1. They didn't believe b/c they were afraid that what God said wouldn't come to pass
  - 2. Faith in the enemy to keep God's word from coming to pass
- F. All unforgiveness and bitterness rooted in fear
  - 1. Afraid that if you forgive them that they'll do it again
  - 2. Afraid if forgive them they'll walk all over you
  - 3. Afraid if you forgive them what you'll look like to others

- G. All laziness is fear of discomfort (Matthew 25:26)
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    - a. We need to locate fear and see it the way God does
  - 2. It's all the spirit of fear, just dressed up in a different costume; but when you strip the costume off you'll see it's fear underneath
    - a. God is Love-The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of love
    - b. Satan is Fear-The Spirit of antichrist and the spirit of fear or the same spirit
      - (1) That spirit might be clothed in strife or laziness, but it's the spirit of fear

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