## VICTORY OVER FEAR

Something Good Is Going To Happen

- I. Fear is the belief that something bad is going to happen and the uneasiness of mind/heart that accompanies that belief
  - A. <u>Fear (W1828)</u>-The uneasiness of mind upon the thought of a future evil likely to befall you or an expectation of evil
- II. To be in fear you have to believe something bad is going to happen-Mk4:35-The same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side. <sup>37</sup>And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. <sup>38</sup> And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? (GW-Don't you care that we're going to die) <sup>39</sup>And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. <sup>40</sup>And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?
  - A. <u>Jesus wasn't afraid because he believed they were going to the other side</u>-Jesus was on the same boat, in the same storm but had no fear
  - B. <u>Peter's belief produced fear</u>-Jesus was felt the same wind but wasn't afraid because he believed different-Mt14:29-When Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid...
  - C. It's not the circumstance that produces fear it's the belief
  - D. <u>Fear believes something bad WILL happen</u>-It operates in the future and the unseen and is a perverted type of faith
- III. Fear's belief births inward disturbance—In fear there's no peace-1Jn4:18-Fear has torment (misery in the mind); Jn14:27-Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you...Let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid.
  - A. If you believe something bad will happen, you'll have no peace-EX-Federer looks so peaceful when he plays, because he knows he's gonna win
  - B. The inward disturbance isn't fear it's the result of fear (belief)—If your heart is troubled address what you believe—Jn14:1—Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
- IV. Fear is built on the words of the enemy-15m17:10-And the Philistine said, I defy (rail, reproach, taunt) the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together. 11When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid
  - A. <u>His words produce fear/belief that something bad is going to happen (bad news)</u>-That belief births inward disturbance and robs you of joy and peace
  - B. God's words put hope and faith in us-Hope and faith are the confident expectation and belief that something good is going to happen-col:23-Be not moved away from the hope of the gospel-Rm10:17-Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God
  - C. There's joy and peace in hope and faith-Rm12:12-Rejoicing in hope; Rm15:13-Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing
  - D. We are people of hope and faith-1Pt1:21-That your faith and hope might be in God