

FACING THE UGLY FACE OF FEAR!

We don't see fear for what it is. Because it is such a natural reaction to life's uncertainties we legitimize fear and give it a lodging place in our lives. **Fear is not friendly, fear is your enemy.** It will rob you of faith, obedience, and peace.

We need to face down this ugly spirit, and the first step is to see it for what it is.

"He who overcomes shall inherit all things and I will be his God and he shall be my son.

But the fearful (cowardly), unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers (drug users and pushers) idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." Rev.21:7-8

Notice "fearful" is first on the list of people who will live in the lake of fire. I believe the Lord is saying to us, "enough, quit being afraid, pray, have faith and stay in peace." It is time to start believing God ahead of our own fears.

Why God hates fear:

*It puts your word above His. We have God's word in writing and He always keeps His Word. To

trust yourself above him is the height of pride and arrogance.

*Your fear is a manifestation of your own pride and unbelief. It takes a humbling in your life to really believe God and take Him at His Word.

*Fear creates turmoil: Because you are out of control with things, you feel helpless and because you don't trust God your double minded view makes you angry at the God you should be at peace with. He is there whether you believe him or not, but he is tired of you zealously protecting a fear that should be renounced and cast out by your faith.

Remember the opposite of fear is faith. It is as simple as a choice, **let the weak say I am strong.** Let's face this ugly giant and kill it together!

Pastor Chambers

Scripture For The Week

"And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them." nlt

Coming Events

Youth — Presenting.....

"Night of Praise"

This Sat., June 27th

6pm — 8pm

Potluck dinner at 6pm

Annex

Royal Ranger Lock — In

Fri., July 10th

7pm.....10am Sat.

Adonna Otwell

Sun., July 12th

10:30am & 6pm

Chuck E. Cheese

Trip for:

Rainbows, Daisies, Prims, & Ranger Kids

Sat., July 18, 10:00am

See Janet or Mike if you are going