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Job 3:25, "For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me."

Though Job lived in a time when God Himself talked directly to men, he still had fears. The LORD today speaks to us through His word, and it's natural to have fears.

Job said that which he had feared and was afraid of had come upon him. We can see what he had been afraid of because of what had come upon him. In chapter one Job lost all of his stock, his servants, and all 10 of his children were killed at one time.

Job shared the same fears we do. He had the fears of losing things and certainly feared losing his family. This came upon him and even though his worst fears were realized, he did not forsake God. We are told in Job 1:22, "In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly."

At the end of Job we see how all his substance was restored. Job had twice as much livestock as before and 10 more children. No, these were not the same children. They had died, but we learn from chapter

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one how Job continuously made sure his children were right with God. If they all died faithfully, then eventually Job would be reunited with them.

We spend much of our time worrying about things that never come to pass. Jesus told us even if someone kills us, what more can they do? Luke 12:4, "And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do."

There is nothing in this life we should worry about. Still, even as righteous as Job was, he had fears. His fears were realized, but he did not forsake the LORD.

Let's always remember that no matter what happens to us, if we are living for the LORD all will turn out fine in the end. If you are not living for the LORD, then nothing will be fine. We will have fears, but living for the LORD will lessen those fears and as time goes on, those fears will fade into nothing as we enter that eternal home the LORD has prepared for us.

Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to [his] purpose."

—Marty Edwards❖

Joshua 7:1, "But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing."

In Joshua 6 the children of easily captured the city of Jericho. They marched around the city once a day for six days then on the seventh day they marched seven times and blew their trumpets and the walls of Jericho fell. The LORD gave them this victory, as all their victories. Sometimes the LORD would tell them to spoil their enemies. This time He had told them not to, but to put the metal into the treasury of the LORD.

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In the next chapter they were going to capture a smaller city named Ai. The men were confident of their victory and said only two to three thousand people would be needed. They were not able to capture the city and about 36 of them were killed. This greatly discouraged the people and the families of about 36 people were left with grief.

The LORD told Joshua this was because there was sin in the camp. Someone had taken spoils from Jericho. The LORD directed them to the person it was. It was Achan.

Because of his taking of these goods against the word of the LORD the people were not able to capture Ai and many lost their lives. Achan, his family, his livestock, and all his goods were stoned then burned with fire.

Achan had a lot before he took these goods from Jericho. He had family, stock, a place to live and no doubt much more. He wanted more, and it cost him, his family, and about 36 men lost their lives. His greed and discontent was costly.

Achan is mentioned twice more in the Bible. In Joshua 22:20 we are told, "Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel and that man perished not alone in his iniquity." In I Chronicles 2:7 Achan is called Achar and it is said of him, "...Achar, the troubler of Israel, who transgressed in the thing accursed."

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Sunday, July 17, 2022		
Classes	11	Matthew 21:28-22:22
Preaching	22	Acts 7-8
Contribution	\$923.00	
Evening	6	Genesis 48-50
Wednesday, July 20, 2022		
Classes	9	Psalms 120-122

Visitors—

July 17 (AM) Asher Huff (Glasgow, KY) July 20 (Wed) Emma Biggs (Legrande, KY)

Bible Quiz

The psalmist was glad when what was said unto him?

Last Week's Answer—Thy word (Psalm 119:160)

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What if the last thing anyone remembers of us are our sins? What if the last words we hear from the LORD are, "Depart from me...." Let's live our lives in such a way that our ending is better than the beginning. We do that by living for the LORD and drawing closer to Him each day.

—Marty Edwards •

—God's Plan of Salvation—

- 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
- 2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
- 3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
- 4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
- 5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
- 6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)