



"Why You Don't Need to Fear the Future"

"Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Psalm 23:6 (KJV)

I DON'T NEED TO FEAR THE FUTURE . . .

1. Because God's goodness is WATCHING over me

"Surely goodness...will follow me all the days of my life..."

"The Lord watches over all who love him..."

Psalm 145:20 (NIV).

"We know that all that happens to us is working for our good if we love God and are fitting into his plans."

Romans 8:28 (LB)

2. Because God's grace is WORKING in me

"Surely... mercy will follow me all the days of my life..."

"I will now have mercy on you through my grace."

Isaiah 60:10c (NLT)

"I will...not forget the glorious things God does for me. He forgives all my sins. He heals me. He ransoms me from hell. He surrounds me with loving kindness...He fills my life with good things... He is merciful and tender toward those who don't deserve it; He is slow to get angry... He never bears a grudge... He has not punished us as we deserve for all our sins, for HIS MERCY...is as great as the height of the heavens... He is like a father to us, tender and sympathetic to those who reverence him."

Psalm 103: 2-13 (LB)

"So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most."

Hebrews 4:16 (NLT)

3. Because Heaven is WAITING for me

"...and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

"For we know that when this earthly tent we live in is taken down (that is, when we die and leave this earthly body), we will have a house in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself and not by human hands." 2 Corinthians 5:1 (NLT)

HOW TO LIVE FULLY & FEARLESSLY

1. Stay GRATEFUL & GENEROUS

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good!

His faithful love endures forever."

Psalm 118:29 (NLT)

You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NLT)

2. Be GRACIOUS to everyone

"Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you."

Ephesians 4:32 (NLT)

3. Live my life for GOD'S GLORY

"In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."

Matthew 5:16 (NLT)