

## “Overcoming Fear”

Psalm 23

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E. Stanley Jones said, “Man is born with two innate fears: The fear of falling and the fear of loud noises. Yet, in one study 7,000 different fears were identified; 6,998 were unnecessary fears.”

Physicians say that, worse than all the disease and deadly viruses that they must deal with, there is a greater problem mankind faces: that is, fear.

### **I) Do Not Be Afraid Of Life:** (vs. 1-3)

- A) We overcome the fear of life by experiencing a personal relationship with God.
- B) We overcome the fear of life by following the directions of the Lord.
- C) We overcome the fear of life by finding God’s purpose for living.

### **II) Do Not Be Afraid Of Death:** (vs. 4)

- A) We overcome the fear of death by the affirming God’s presence.
- B) We overcome the fear of death by experiencing God’s forgiveness.
- C) We overcome the fear of death by the witness of the Holy Spirit.  
Ro. 8:16

### **III) Do Not Be Afraid Of Eternity:** (vs. 6)

- A) The Nature of Man Demands it.
- B) The Character of God Predicts it.
- C) The Experience of Jesus Proves it.