

Sermon Application Study

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This tool is designed for groups, though it can be used for personal study. It is also designed to equip and motivate you to share the gospel with others. Learn. Apply. Share.

Target Passage → 1 John 4:18-19

1. What does it mean in verse 17, “as he (Jesus) is so also are we in this world?”
How does seeing yourself in Christ change your standing before God and do you see yourself that way?
2. How can we have confidence that we need not fear on the day of judgement according to our text and Hebrews 9:27-10:14? See Hebrews 10:14 - Does God forgive us of all our sins?
3. How can a believer adhere to both the fear of God and perfect love cast out fear?
What is the difference between the fears listed above?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Hebrews 9:27 - Hebrews 10:14

For Me →

1. Where does unbelief influence how you view God’s complete forgiveness of your sins?
Do you struggle with believing that God’s love can give you confidence when it comes to judgement?
2. How does God being your source of love help you to love others?
Where are you lacking forgiveness towards others currently?

For the Mission →

When anyone fears (that is, has a disturbed mind) it is the fault of unbelief. For when the love of God is properly known, it calms the mind – John Calvin

Understanding that the perfect love of God cast out fear of judgement and rejection once and for all can be a power shift in how you see yourself and those around you. How would your world change if you walked in this truth? How would you treat others differently?

PRAYER FOCUS

Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

- Luke 12:32

Meditate and pray on this verse and know that God delights in giving you the kingdom!