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crucified! Notice what the scripture says concerning their fear and reaction: "So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly (extremely terrified niv), saying, "Truly this was the Son of God!" (Matthew 27:54).

Solomon, in Ecclesiastes 12:13, gives some good wise advice, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man" (KJV). The fear of God should motivates us to do what God wants us to do. Jesus put it this way, "And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (Matthew 10:28).

You have to wonder if Felix ever became a christian after being terrified at the preaching of Paul. Sadly, many people do not heed the fearful warnings that scripture gives to all of us. It is interesting that in Hebrews 10:25 we are encouraged to put the church first in our lives by "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some," then the encouragement is followed with the fearful warning, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries" (Hebrews 10:26-27). Then we read in verse 31, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." Can you think of anything more frightening or terrifying?

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Sunday Bible Class: 9:30 AM Worship: 10:30 AM / 6 PM Wednesday Bible Study: 7 PM

Thursday Ladies Bible Class: 9:30 AM Sun. Morning Radio & TV KTXR 101.3 FM Lifeline 7:15 AM Channel 10 Search 7:00 AM Living Word, 7:30 AM Channel 33 Know Your Bible, 10:30 AM

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Frightened and Terrified!

Isaiah 21:4 *My heart wavered, fearfulness frightened me; The night for which I longed He turned into fear for me.*

"My heart staggers; horror has appalled me; the twilight I longed for has been turned for me into trembling." (Isaiah 21:4 esv)

This is the time of year that kids tend to be prepared to be frightened. Every year brings a crescendo of frights leading up to October 31st. Scary things seem to appear everywhere – on television, in stores, at parties and even at schools. Adults even spend money for haunted houses and scary movies just so they can be frightened. You may remember as a kid it didn't take a haunted house or movie to scare siblings, just a good ol' garden snake, a big spider or proper moment to jump out of an appropriate hiding place. It didn't even take a special day to scream out a big loud "boo!!" and if there was a rapid jump or jerk, then it was time for a good laugh. While it's all meant in fun, for very young children, scary fun isn't always fun; it turns out to be just plain scary. Sometimes even adults end up being frightened.

Those who study the science of fear tell us that fear is for our protection and safety. Studies show that a fearful reaction starts in the brain and spreads through the body to make adjustments for the best defense or flight. Fear prepares us to be more efficient in responding to danger: The brain becomes hyper alert, pupils dilate, the bronchi dilate and breathing accelerates. Heart rate and blood pressure rise. Blood flow and a stream of glucose to the skeletal muscles increase. Organs not vital to survival slow down. Think about the last time you were really scared. Maybe it was when you stepped on a snake, had a tire blow out, or someone unexpectedly yelled "boo". Fear causes us to quickly react for self preservation.

Belshazzar's fear after seeing the handwriting on the wall is a good example of how fear causes a physical reaction: "*His face turned pale and he was so frightened that his legs became weak and his knees were knocking*" (*Daniel 5:6*). When the apostle Paul reasoned with Felix concerning righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, the scripture says "*Felix was afraid*" (*Acts 24:25*). The KJV says Felix "*trembled*" at Paul's words. The ancient word used to describe Felix's reaction means to be full of fear, to be terrified. Felix had the kind of fear that creates a physical reaction. It is a shame that Felix didn't respond the same way as the soldiers who were standing guard when Jesus was

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Privileged to Serve

Worship

Coordinator: Jim Cruise Announcements: Randy Hyder

Sunday AM

Before Service Greeters: John Hopkins and Suzi Doty After Services Greeters: Randy & Becky Hyder Songleader: Terry Cruise Lord's Table *Travis Hampton, Nacho Bram,

Daniel Hyder, Bobby Lewis **Opening Prayer:** Steve Crews Closing Prayer: Robert Comer Sermon: Rick Bright

Sunday PM

Before & After Services Greeters:

Luther & Betty Sheppard Songleader: Youth Focus

Lord's Table: John Hopkins

Opening Prayer: Youth Focus **Closing Prayer:** Youth Focus Sermon: Rick Bright

Wed. Night

Before & After Services Greeters: John & Tiffany Sanders **Devotional:** John Marchand Songleader: Luther Sheppard Prayer: Paul Fisher

News and Announcements:

Welcome Visitors

Please leave a record of your visit by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the collection plate.



2019 Budget Planning: If you have anything that needs to be considered for next year's budget, please see David Doherty, Elvis Heistand, Randy Hyder, Alan Lamb, or Ron Peck.

On your Agenda!



Youth Focus Today:



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Kids and Parents Meet at 4:00 this for food, fun and fellowship and a youth planning session. Kid Sing starts at 6 p.m.

Woodcutting will be November 3. If you can help, please notify Terry Cruise.



Fellowship Dinner next Sunday after morning worship. Cathy Thompson's group will have kitchen duty.

Time Change: Daylight Savings Time ends on November 4. Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday night and enjoy some extra sleep.



November 11—Singing at nursing homes November 11–Men's business meeting

November 18–Youth Night November 22—Thanksgiving Day November 25–Youth Focus

Remember in Prayer:

The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. James 5:16

Bobby Banks continues to battle cancer.

Chris Bouvette, friend of Karen Burney, is having more tests before his surgery.

Greg Bright, remains in serious condition with multiple drug resistant infections.

Howard Dampier (friend of the Brams) is still battling cancer.

Marla Graves has shingles.

Nicole Hampton is scheduled for colonoscopy and endoscopy October 31.

Doris Letterman, Connie Isis's sister, has worsening pain in her legs and is having trouble walking.

Cole Matney is in need of prayers.

Tve McMasters is hoping to come home the first of the week.

Curtis Pankey, nephew of Suzi Doty, still has several problems but is improving.

Donna Plummer, Marcie Marchand's mother, is dealing with leueukemia.

Jim Sedlacek, brother of JoAnne Lawrence, has been diagnosed with cancer.

Marcie Marchand

Elias Virgil Thompson

October

Anniversaries

Ron & Cathy Thompson 10-5

Daniel & Margot Hyder 10-7

Kendall & Dena Kanangieter

Colton Bickford

Linda Blazer Vickie Cantrell

Ben Greer

(Norma Nash

(Becky Hyder

10-26



October Birthdays

Alex Heistand Calli Watson Randy Hyder David Doherty Pat Lamb Parker Henslee Amber Heistand Daniel Hyder **Tiffany Sanders**

Micaiah Sedlacek is benefitting from a change in his treatment.

Lorella Treadway, Norma Nash's sister-in-law, will have a kidney transplant.

Lucille Walker. Helen Buman's sister, came through her surgery well.

Jamie Westcomb. Nicole's friend, has stage 4 kidney and liver cancer.

Mike Winchester Nacho's friend, is suffering from terminal cancer.

Remember The Homebound

- Judy Barrow (Webco Manor)
- Bonnie Doherty (Webco East)
- Ina Gillette (Colonial Springs in Buffalo)
- **Estelline Jones**
- Pat Lamb (Marshfield Care Center)
- Zoe Lawless of Conway (Webco)
- Rosalie Rosenberger (Thad Layne's sister) is in a nursing home in Jacksonville, FL.
- Harvey Tag (Webco)



Record for October 21

| Sunday AM | 121 |
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| Sunday PM | 67 |
| Wed. PM | 66 |
| Total Contribution: | \$2517 |

