



Good Gifts from God Hebrews 13:5-7

Hebrews 13:5-7 (NIV)

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?" Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

I. His Presence – that we might *Cultivate Contentment*

Verse 5 – "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV)

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

Philippians 4:12–13 (NIV)

I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

1 Timothy 6:6–8 (ESV)

But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.

Hebrews 13:5 (The Amplified Bible)

“He has said, ‘I will never [under any circumstances] desert you [nor give you up nor leave you without support, nor will I in any degree leave you helpless], nor will I forsake *or* let you down *or* relax My hold on you [assuredly not]!’”

II. His Power – that we might *Eliminate Fear*

Verse 6 – “So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?”

TOP 10 FEARS OF 2024

(% OF VERY AFRAID OR AFRAID)

1. Corrupt Government Officials – (65.2%)
2. People I Love Becoming Seriously Ill – (58.4%)
3. Cyberterrorism – (58.3%)
4. People I Love Dying – (57.8%)
5. Russia Using Nuclear Weapons – (55.8%)
6. Not Having Enough Money for the Future – (55.7%)
7. U.S. Becoming Involved in Another World War– (55.0% - TIE)
8. North Korea Using Nuclear Weapons – (55.0% - TIE)
9. Terrorist Attack – (52.7%)
10. Biological Warfare – (52.5%)

Source: Chapman University Survey of American Fears 2024

Acts 18:9-11 (NIV)

One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: "Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent. For I am with you, and no-one is going to attack and harm you, ... So Paul stayed for a year and a half, teaching them the word of God.

Proverbs 1:33 (NIV)

Whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm."

Isaiah 41:10, 13 (NIV)

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. For I am the LORD, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

III. His Pastors – that we might *Regulate Error*

Verse 7, 9 – “Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings.”