

Faith Vs. Fear – When Peace Rules Your Heart  
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Text: Colossians 3:12-17

1. A true heart relationship with God results in deep assurance of faith

*“Let us draw near with a **true heart in full assurance of faith**, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.”*

Hebrews 10:22

- \* A half-hearted relationship with God can only lead to fear

*“When Saul saw the army of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart trembled greatly.”* 1 Samuel 28:5

2. A true heart relationship with God will result in a peace that defies logic.

*“And the **peace of God, which surpasses all understanding**, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”* Philippians 4:7

- \* A faithless heart will be overwhelmed by the realities of life

*“Men’s **hearts failing them from fear** and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.”* Luke 21:26

3. A true heart relationship with the Lord fears God not man – Malachi 2:4-6

*“My covenant was with him, **one of life and peace**, And I gave them to him that he might fear Me; So he feared Me And was reverent before My name.”* Malachi 2:5

*“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

4. A true heart relationship with God results in HIS peace ruling your heart

*“And let the peace of God **rule in your hearts**...”* Colossians 3:15

*“Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, **peace** with those who call on the Lord out of a pure **heart**.”* 2 Timothy 2:22