

God Wants

To Make A

Deal

Isaiah 41:10

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**Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not
dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen
thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee
with the right hand of my righteousness.**

Introduction

A. A text that anticipates our needs

1. Meets us in anxiety and brings assurance

1 Peter 5:7

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

2. Moves us from fear to faith

1 John 4:18

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

Introduction

B. What God wants to do for His children

1. If you are a Christian, God wants you to be blessed

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

2. He longs to exchange His peace for your pain

Isaiah 61:3

To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.

I. God Wants To Trade His Fellowship For Your Fears

“Fear thou not; for I am with thee”

A. Fear stalks us all

B. Four basic fears

1. Fear of death

2. Fear of failure

3. Fear of insecurity

4. Fear of the future

I. God Wants To Trade His Fellowship For Your Fears

“Fear thou not; for I am with thee”

C. God answers all these fears

1. Death

Philippians 1:21

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

2. Failure

Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

I. God Wants To Trade His Fellowship For Your Fears

“Fear thou not; for I am with thee”

C. God answers all these fears

3. Insecurity

Philippians 4:19

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

4. Future

Matthew 28:20

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

I. God Wants To Trade His Fellowship For Your Fears

“Fear thou not; for I am with thee”

D. Our Lord will never leave nor forsake us

Hebrews 13:5-6

5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

II. God Wants To Trade His Comfort For Your Confusion

“Be not dismayed; for I am thy God”

A. Dismay

“Why did this happen to me?”

B. Confusion

“Can’t understand why God allows trials”

C. God owns us as His own, even in tough times

D. Whatever happens, we belong to Him

Psalm 118:6

The Lord is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?

II. God Wants To Trade His Comfort For Your Confusion

“Be not dismayed; for I am thy God”

Romans 8:38-39

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

III. God Wants To Trade His Strength For Your Weakness

“I will strengthen thee”

A. Many reasons for feeling weak

1. Sickness

2. Regrets over past failures

3. Conflict with the tempter

III. God Wants To Trade His Strength For Your Weakness

“I will strengthen thee”

B. Consider His strength

1. It is inexhaustible

Isaiah 40:28

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

2. It is available

Isaiah 40:29

He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

III. God Wants To Trade His Strength For Your Weakness

“I will strengthen thee”

B. Consider His strength

3. It is superior

Isaiah 40:30

Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

4. It must be sought

Isaiah 40:31

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

IV. God Wants To Trade His Help For Your Helplessness

“I will help thee”

A. Sometimes all we can do is cry for help

Psalm 18:6

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.

Psalm 39:12

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

IV. God Wants To Trade His Help For Your Helplessness

“I will help thee”

B. Reach out to Jesus He is reaching out to you

Isaiah 65:2

I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts;

V. God Wants To Trade His Righteousness For Your Rags

A. Our righteousness is like filthy rags

Isaiah 64:6

**But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our
righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as
a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us
away.**

B. Jesus has made righteousness available through faith

2 Corinthians 5:21

**For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin;
that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.**

V. God Wants To Trade His Righteousness For Your Rags

**C. “I will uphold thee with the right hand of my
righteousness.”**

1. Christ the Son of His right hand

Acts 7:55

**But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up
stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and
Jesus standing on the right hand of God,**

Hebrews 10:12

**But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins
for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;**

V. God Wants To Trade His Righteousness For Your Rags

**C. “I will uphold thee with the right hand of my
righteousness.” – continued**

2. He intercedes for us there

Hebrews 7:25

**Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost
that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to
make intercession for them.**

1 John 2:1

**My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye
sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with
the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:**

**GIVE GOD YOUR
PROBLEMS AND
ALLOW HIM
TO GIVE YOU
SOLUTIONS.**

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