

FEARING GOD AND NOT MAN

Introduction: Though believers may be _____ by unbelievers, we must put our _____ in God who will keep us in His care.

- I. The _____ (Ps. 37:32)
 - A. We are being _____ by the wicked.
 - B. Believers must always be on good _____ to silence the lost (Titus 2:8).
 - C. For this reason Jesus said to be _____ as serpents (Mt. 10:16-39).
 - D. The wicked hate the righteous because their sin is _____ by those who live right (1 Pe. 4:3-4; Jn. 15:20-25).
 - E. It is their desire to _____ all Christian influence from society (Ps. 2:1-3).
 - F. Persecution always _____ the church.
- II. The _____ (Ps. 37:33)
 - A. God will always _____ His children in His way and time (Ps. 18:1; 2 Tim. 3:11).
 - B. "God is the Guardian and _____ of all His own people" (MacDonald).
 - C. The Lord Jesus will come to our _____ (1 Jn. 2:1-2).
 - D. "There is therefore now no _____ to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit" (Ro. 8:1).
- III. The _____ (Ps. 37:34-36)
 - A. All believers are to concern themselves with is doing what is _____.
 - B. "This little word 'wait' is easy to _____, but hard to carry out, yet faith must do it" (Spurgeon).
 - C. While we are waiting, we must beware of _____ (Heb. 2:1).
 - D. God will promote and protect us as we do things His _____.
 - E. Keep to God's _____ (Jer. 6:16; Is. 35:8; Pr. 16:17).
 - F. God will deal with the wicked in the _____ (Rev. 20:11-15).
 - G. The wicked may _____ now, but could be gone tomorrow.
 - H. No amount of power or wealth can prevent God's _____.

Conclusion: "We may be in the enemy's hand for awhile, as Job was, but we cannot be left there" (Spurgeon).