Study QUESTIONS

Ep.1365: Why Did the Angel Say "Fear Not"?

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- Why did the angel say "fear not" to the shepherds? To Zacharias? To Mary? (Luke 1:11-13,26-29, 2:8-14)
- 2. **"Fear Not" Point #1:** Being called to follow Christ can provoke internal fear.
 - a. Explain how Peter handled this fear. (Luke 5:4-11)
 - b. Do you feel you have been called to follow Jesus? Did it provoke fear in you? How did you handle it?

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- 3. "Fear Not" Point #2: Answering the call and walking with Jesus.
 - a. What are the assurances given about the care and guidance of God and Jesus in our lives? (Psalm 32:8, Luke 12:25-32)
 - b. How do these scriptures help you to look at your own anxiety and fear?
- 4. **"Fear Not" Point #3:** The demanding transformation of true discipleship. (Joshua 1:9, Matthew 10:24-31)
 - a. "Fear Not" Persecution Why would the disciples (and we) expect persecution? (Matthew 10:24-26)
 - b. "Fear Not" When Preaching Why shouldn't the disciples (and we) fear when preaching uncomfortable and unpopular truth? (Matthew 10:27-28)
 - c. "Fear Not" Being Forgotten Do you feel unworthy, unimportant? How do these scriptures assure us that the reverse is true? (Matthew 10:29-31, Psalm 32:8)
- 5. **"Fear Not" Point #4:** Discipleship inevitably brings difficult trials.
 - a. How does God provide for us during difficult trials? (1 Corinthians 10:13, Matthew 14:25-29)
 - b. How have you felt your boat filling up, your progress slowed? How does Jesus being "in the boat with us," help?
- 6. **"Fear Not" Point #5:** Overwhelming Blessings: Mixed in with our fear and difficulty come blessings.
 - a. Why were the apostles terrified on the Mount of Transfiguration? (Matthew 17:5-7, 1 Corinthians 2:9)
 - b. Have you ever felt so blessed, so awestruck at your opportunities in the Lord's service, you doubted?
- 7. "Fear Not" Point #6: Maturing Process: Grow in Christ, so Christ can be in us.
 - a. How did Jesus help the women at his tomb deal with the grief of his death and then the bewilderment of his resurrection? How does the peace of God help with fear? (Matthew 28:10, Philippians 4:6-7)
 - b. How did the women carrying the details of their experience at the tomb to the apostles apply to us?
- 8. "Fear Not" Point #7: The Crystallized Character.
 - a. What was the message of Acts 18:8-11 that helped Paul's fear of the Corinthians? Were they less fearsome?
 - b. What is the impact of Romans 8:31-32 on you?
 - c. How can Colossians 3:12-17 add to our peace with God? How have you dealt with these fears in your life?

