

No Fear! Part 4 - Future

Chronophobia - Fear of the Future

Why do people fear the future?

- Lack of certainty
- Lack of clarity
- Lack of compass

How can I overcome my fear of the future?

- **Prepare for it!**
- **Decide what you are going to do with Jesus!**

16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. John 3:16-17

- **Admit your sin and commit your life to Jesus as Savior and Lord!**

9 If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. Romans 10:9-10

What promises has God made for my future?

- 1) **God promises to straighten my perilous paths.**

*5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;*

*6 in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6*

*4 Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.*

*5 Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long. Psalm 25:4-5*

- 2) **God promises to get me past my trying temptations!**

13 *No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.* 1 Corinthians 10:13

3 *But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.*
2 Thessalonians 3:3

3) God promises to carry me through my treacherous troubles.

9 *The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.*

10 *Those who know your name trust in you,
for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.* Psalm 9:9-10

33 *"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."* John 16:33

16 *Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.*

17 *Relieve the troubles of my heart
and free me from my anguish.* Psalm 25:16-17

4) God promises my salvation is secure!

27 *My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. **28** I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. **29** My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand.* John 10:27-29

6 *being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.* Philippians 1:6

35 *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?... **37** No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. **38** For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, **39** neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 8:35,37-39