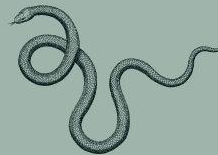




# Glossoevangelionphobia

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Season of Persecution  
Evangelism Series Part 36





<u>Name</u>	<u>Fear of...</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Fear of...</u>
Ablutophobia	bathing	Anthropophobia	people or society
Achluophobia	darkness	Aphenphosmophobia	being touched
Acrophobia	heights	Arachibutyrophobia	peanut butter
Aerophobia	flying	Arachnophobia	spiders
Algophobia	pain	Arithmophobia	numbers
Agoraphobia	open spaces or crowds	Astraphobia	thunder and lightning
Aichmophobia	needles or pointed objects	Astrophobia	outer space
Amaxophobia	riding in a car	Ataxophobia	disorder or untidiness
Androphobia	men	Atelophobia	imperfection
Anemophobia	air	Atychiphobia	failure
Anginophobia	choking	Automatonophobia	human-like figures
Angrophobia	anger	Autophobia	being alone
Anthrophobia	flowers		

*Relevant for today:*

Ecclesiophobia - fear of a church building

Homilophobia – fear of sermons

## Matthew 10:26-31

26 “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. 27 What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. 28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. 30 But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. 31 Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.”

# Fear of Man

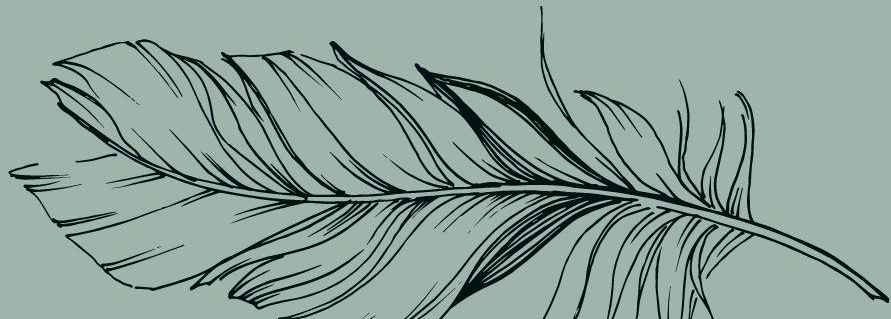
“The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is safe.”  
Proverbs 29:25



# Fear

(Gk. phobeō)

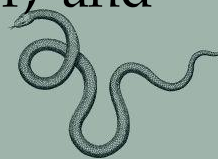
to be in an apprehensive state that can range from mild uneasiness to stark terror as when one is anxious, alarmed, frightened, or terrified





“The most common use of [fear] in the New Testament represents reverential awe, not cringing fright. It expresses the feeling of a person who is in the presence of someone infinitely superior... In the synoptic gospels and Acts the term [usually addresses] the feeling in a person’s heart when he is confronted with divine power, and it is declared to be a part of the Christian’s attitude as he seeks to faithfully serve the Lord (Acts 9:31). Reverential awe of God is a part of the truly repentant life (2Cor. 7:10–11), the chaste life (1 Pet. 3:2), the holy life (2 Cor. 7:1), and the godly life (Phil. 2:12). Mutual ministry, love, and respect, as well as powerful evangelism and proper church discipline, are all grounded in reverential awe of the Lord (see 2 Cor. 5:11; Eph. 5:21; 1 Tim. 5:20). It is the substance out of which all right Christian worship, behavior, and service must come.”

▪ John MacArthur





## Proverbs 1:7

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge;  
fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

## Proverbs 9:10

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,  
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.”

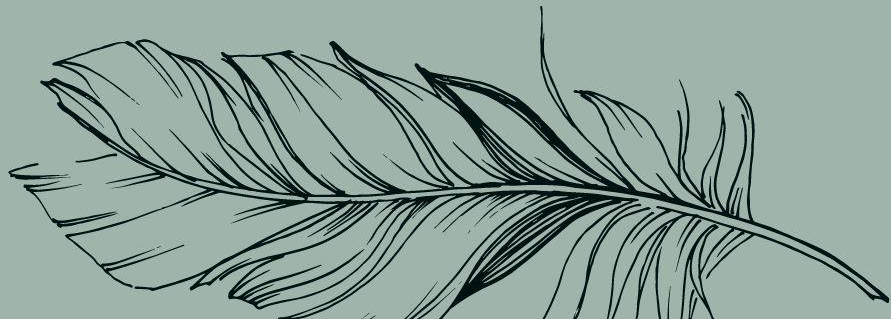
## Psalms 34:9

“Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints,  
for those who fear him have no lack!”

Top 10 Fears of 2023	% of Very Afraid or Afraid
1. Corrupt government officials	60.1%
2. Economic/financial collapse	54.7%
3. Russia using nuclear weapons	52.5%
4. US becoming involved in another World War	52.3%
5. People I love becoming seriously ill	50.6%
6. People I love dying	50.4%
7. Pollution of drinking water	50.0%
8. Biological warfare	49.5%
9. Cyber-terrorism	49.3%
10. Not having enough money for the future	48.0%

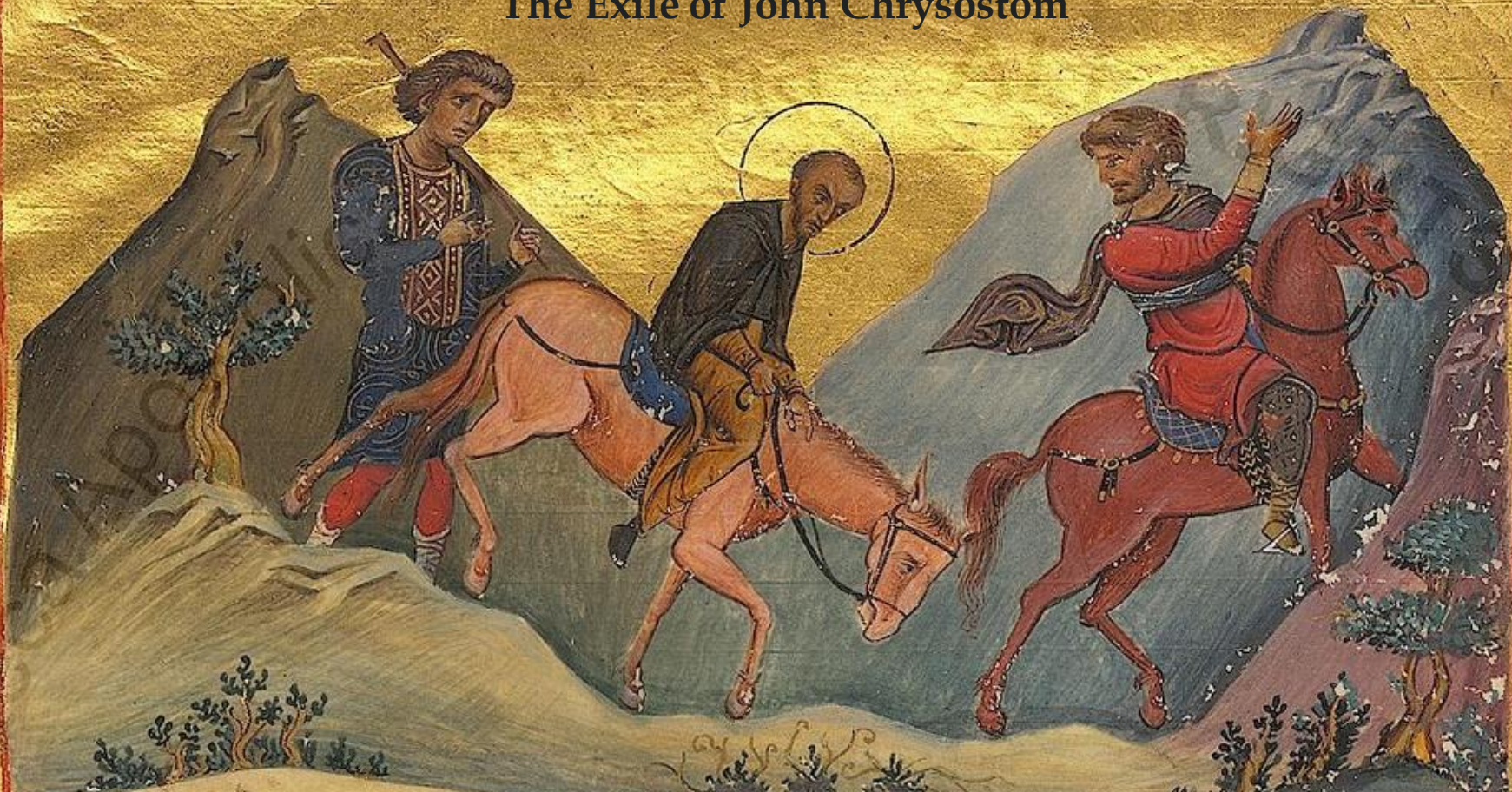
# Two Manifestations of Fear:

1. Emotional
2. Volitional





## The Exile of John Chrysostom

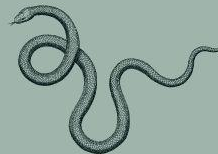




## 3 Reasons to Fear Not...

1. He has called you to live out your faith and will enable you to do it

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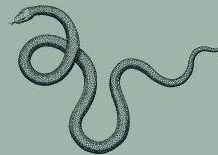




## 3 Reasons to Fear Not...

2. He is sovereign/supreme and in control

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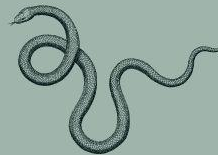




## 3 Reasons to Fear Not...

### 3. He loves you

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Evangelism Preventing-Fear

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The fear of sharing  
the Gospel in public

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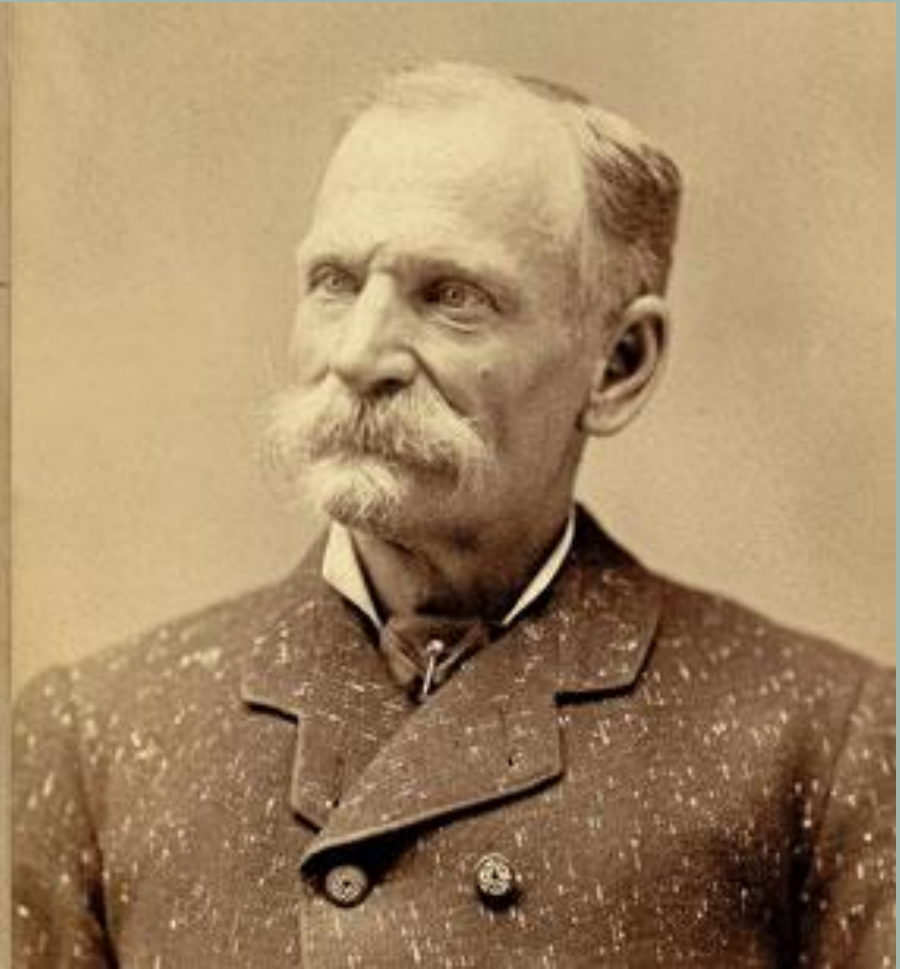




Black Bart



Charles Boles

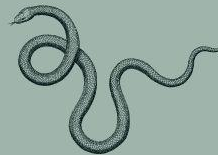




## 5 Fears Used to Keep Us From Sharing the Gospel...

1. I am afraid of not knowing what to say

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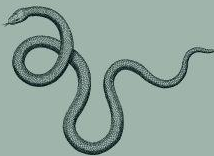




## 5 Fears Used to Keep Us From Sharing the Gospel...

### 2. I am afraid of rejection or failure

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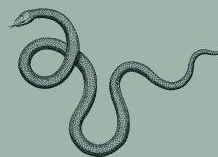




## 5 Fears Used to Keep Us From Sharing the Gospel...

3. I am afraid of how they will respond to me.

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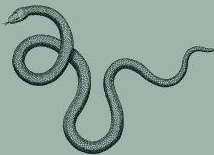




## 5 Fears Used to Keep Us From Sharing the Gospel...

### 4. I am afraid to share my story

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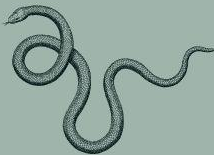




## 5 Fears Used to Keep Us From Sharing the Gospel...

### 5. I am afraid that I am a hypocrite

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## 3 Reasons to Fear Not...

1. God has sent us and will enable us to accomplish the work
2. He is sovereign and in control - the results are His
3. He loves you

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear...  
We love because he first loved us.” 1 John 4:18-19

