

# SPIRIT OF FEAR

Case Study

Caleb Numbers 13:1; 14:30

## [Numbers 26:65](#) |

For the LORD had said of them, They (Hebrews) shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was not left a man of them (from Egypt), save **Caleb** the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

<sup>7</sup>For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Fear 'fir/ noun

1. an unpleasant emotion caused by the belief that someone or something is dangerous, likely to cause pain, or a threat.

### Sigmund Freud 1920 General Theory of the Neuroses

The two forms of fear that have been described, free-floating fear and the fear which is bound up with phobias, are independent of one another. The one is by no means a higher development of the other; only in exceptional cases, almost by accident, do they occur simultaneously. The strongest condition of general anxiety need not manifest itself in phobias; and persons whose entire life is hemmed in by agoraphobia can be entirely free of pessimistic expectant fear. Some phobias, such as the fear of squares or of trains, are acquired only in later life, while others, the fear of darkness, storms and animals, exist from the very beginning. The former signify serious illness, the latter appear rather as peculiarities, moods. Yet whoever is burdened with fear of this second kind may be expected to harbor other and similar phobias. I must add that we group all these phobias under *anxiety hysteria*, and therefore regard it as a condition closely related to the well-known conversion hysteria.

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The third form of neurotic fear confronts us with an enigma; we lose sight entirely of the connection between fear and threatening danger.

THE FIGHT OR FLIGHT RESPONSE has got a new name. It's now called the fight, flight or freeze response. Stress experts around the world are adding the word freeze to the name in deference to the fact that instead of fighting or fleeing, sometimes we tend to freeze (like a deer in the headlights) in traumatic situations. Jesus was clear in His response to the present evils in 2 Tim 1:7.

## **Psalm 27:1**

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I **fear**? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

*[Isaiah 41:10](#) - 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.*

*[Psalms 23:1-6](#) - (A Psalm of David.) The LORD [is] my shepherd; I shall not want. [\(Read More...\)](#)*

*[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.*

[\*\*Psalms 34:4\*\*](#) - *I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.*

[\*\*Proverbs 29:25\*\*](#) - *The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.*

[\*\*Philippians 4:6\*\*](#) - *Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.*

[\*\*Romans 8:15\*\*](#) - *For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.*

[\*\*Psalms 56:3-4\*\*](#) - *What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee. ([Read More...](#))*

[\*\*Proverbs 19:23\*\*](#) - *The fear of the LORD [tendeth] to life: and [he that hath it] shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.*

[\*\*Isaiah 43:1-3\*\*](#) - *But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called [thee] by thy name; thou [art] mine. ([Read More...](#))*

[\*\*Psalms 111:10\*\*](#) - *The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do [his commandments]: his praise endureth for ever.*

[\*\*Romans 8:38-39\*\*](#) - *For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, ([Read More...](#))*

[\*\*Deuteronomy 7:21\*\*](#) - *Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God [is] among you, a mighty God and terrible.*

[\*\*Proverbs 14:27\*\*](#) - *The fear of the LORD [is] a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.*

[\*\*1 John 1:9\*\*](#) - *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

[\*\*Joshua 1:9\*\*](#) - *Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God [is] with thee whithersoever thou goest.*



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