

# God Is ...

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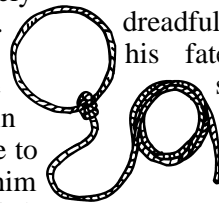
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 Good  
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 Immutable  
 Infinite  
 Just  
 Light  
 Love  
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 Omnipotent  
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 Selfsufficient  
 Sovereign  
 Spirit  
 True  
 Wise

## Let Go

*James McConkey, Faith*

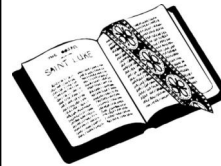
A traveler, upon a lonely road, was robbed by bandits. After stealing all that he had, they led him into the depths of the forest. There, in the darkness, they tied a rope to the limb of a tree, and bade him catch hold of the end of it. Swinging him out into the blackness of surrounding space, they told him he was hanging over a deep valley. The moment he let go he would be dashed to pieces on the rocks below. They then left him there; hanging!

His soul was filled with horror



at the awful doom impending. He clutched despairingly on the end of the swaying rope. Each dreadful moment only made his fate more sure. His strength steadily failed. At last, he could hold on no longer. The end had come. His clenched fingers relaxed their grip. He fell — six inches to the solid earth at his feet! It was only a ruse of the robbers to gain time in escaping. When he let go it was not to death, but to the safety which had been waiting him through all his time of terror.

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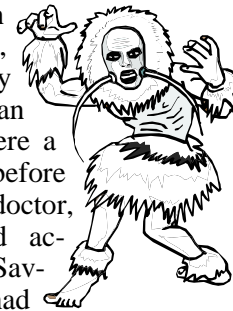
*Egbert Smith, Paul's Ways in Christ*

One day in central Africa, a missionary and I visited an outstation where a short time before the witch doctor, Kalamba, had accepted the Saviour. He had just publicly burnt the implements of his craft, constituting a fortune to those people. We found him in sore fear and distress.

His heathen neighbors, now that he had no "medicines" for defense, were predicting his speedy death. "Our medicines will eat you," they said. In his dreams, to which pagan people have always attached a dread significance, he had been hearing his wife say to him "I have dug your grave."

The missionary spent an hour or more trying to talk him out of his agony of fear, but the terror was still visibly there.

I then suggested to the mis-  
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## He Is Able to Deliver Us

*Sunday School Times*

A man was compelled to cross a wide, frozen river. Notwithstanding the assurances of those who were thoroughly familiar with the region and who had repeatedly crossed on the solid ice, the traveler was afraid to undertake the trip. Finally, he began to crawl his way across. When near the middle of the ice he was startled by a sound in distance. He caught sight of a man driving a heavy team of horses that was pulling a great load of pig iron across the same ice-covered lake. With all the load there was not the least sign of the ice cracking. "What a foolish thing to fear and crawl like that," he felt after seeing what the ice could support.

Will the Word of God hold? Some fear to trust it. Why, man, it can't fail! Stop crawling and get up and fully put your faith in it!

**"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." John 14:27**

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sionary that he turn in his Baluba Testament, to Revelation 1:17 and 18, and show Kalamba, who could not read, the Saviour's assurance, "... Fear not; I ... have the keys of hell and of death."

"Have him put his finger on it," I suggested. "Have him memorize it, and explain to him that those keys are held not in the hand of his enemies, or of dreams, or of hostile 'medicines,' but in the hand of his Saviour, whose personal word to him is, 'Fear not, Kalamba, I, your Friend and Saviour, have the keys of death.'" This was done, and as Kalamba placed his finger and glued his eyes on that assurance and heard it explained, most beautiful it was to see the anguish of fear lifted and his face grow radiant with peace, courage, and joy.

## Fear Not!

*Christian Index*

The Scotch preacher, John McNeill, tells of an experience with his father in boyhood days. As a lad, he had been to town and was late in starting the tramp of six or seven miles through the lonely glen to his home. The night was very dark, and the road

had a dangerous reputation. "In the densest of the darkness," said McNeill, "there suddenly rang out a great, strong, cheery voice.

'Is that you, Johnny?' It was my father, the bravest, strongest man I ever knew."

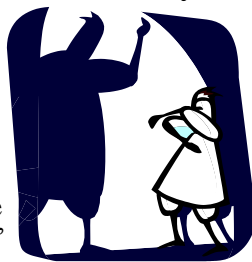
Then the minster added, "Many a time since, when things have been getting very black and gloomy about me, I have felt a voice greater than any earthly father cry, '...Be not afraid, only believe.'"

## Don't be Afraid of ...

*Bill Brinkworth*

### Being outnumbered in your stand:

"I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about." Psalm 3:6



**What you think can happen to you:** "In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me." Psalms 56:11

**The darkness:** "When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet." Proverbs 3:24

**The enemy:** "Thou shalt not be

**"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." — Isaiah 41:10**

afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;" Psalms 91:5

**Bad news:** "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD." Psalms 112:7

**Angry faces and upsetting countenances:** "Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD." Jeremiah 1:8

**Those that could do you harm:** "And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do." Luke 12:4

**Persecution for doing right:** "But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;" I Peter 3:14

## The Personal Touch

*Author Unknown*

When just a small child, I accompanied my father to see his mother, who lived three miles from our home. We remained longer than we should and night overtook us. Between our home and grandmother's was a swamp, and that night the frogs croaking and crickets chirping, together with the darkness and shadows of the trees, frightened me.

I inquired of my father if there were any danger of "something catching us", and he assured me there was no danger. Soon I asked the same question again and received the same answer.

**"THE ONLY THING WE HAVE TO FEAR IS FEAR ITSELF."**

— F. D. Roosevelt,

My father saw I was frightened, and he took me by the hand and said, "I will not allow anything to harm you." All my fears passed away, and I was ready to face the world; for my father had me by the hand.

How like our heavenly Father is this: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." (Psalms 23:4)

The poet W. Davidson reminds us:

*There are days so dark that I seek  
in vain*

*For the face of my Friend Divine.*

*Tho' the darkness hide, He is  
there to guide*

*By the touch of His hand on mine.*

*There is grace and power in the  
trying hour*

*In the touch of His hand on mine.*

## The Secret of Fearlessness

*Sunday School Chronicle*

Of all the memorials in Westminster Abbey there is not one that gives a nobler thought than that inscribed on the monument to Lord Lawrence — simply his name, with the date of his death, and these words: "He feared man so little, because he feared God so much."