



Faith Is The Cure For Fear

From Isaiah 43:1-7

As the news of another mass shooting in Texas was sinking into my consciousness, I could not help feeling a little panic. It seems as if this word at this time has fallen into a complete state of utter chaos. As I regain a sense of calm about myself, the reality is that this world is in a continued state of chaotic events. This world is unpredictable and unstable at its best moment and that is the definition of chaos. As of right now we have a category 5 hurricane taking aim at the United States of America as it left the Bahama's Islands devastated , 7 Families prepare to bury loves one in Texas and 21 more families are hoping and praying that they do not have to make funeral arrangements. The Amazon forest is on fire and we find Israel making a case to war with Lebanon. Yes, the world is on fire and we do not know what to make of it. When we operate in fear, we do not make the best choices and we have a thousand of excuses to be afraid they are all legitimate fears. However, there is one reason to overcome the fears that we have, it is our faith in the living God *"But now, O Jacob, listen to the LORD who created you. O Israel, the one who formed you says, Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. (Isaiah 43:1)* If you do not find comfort in these words it is okay it is because fear has it grip on you and your life. Fear tells you that God is not speaking to you for He is speaking to those who belong to the tribes of Jacob the sons and daughters of Abraham and fear tells you that is not you. I assure that God is speaking to you as well! You believe in Him and his Word, you pray to Him and you who trust Him. God says to you *"Bring all who claim me as their God, for I have made them for my glory. It was I who created them."* (Isaiah 43:7) God tells us that rivers of difficult time will rise up against us but we will not drown because He is with us . The fire of oppression will burn against us but we will not be consumed by it. God has paid a price for us because He loves us! He allowed His Son to pay a debt that we could not afford. *"Others were given in exchange for you. I traded their lives for yours because you are precious to me. You are honored, and I love you. (Isaiah 43:4)* Let us not live by fear anymore! Let us not allow fear to control our lives anymore! Let us replace fear with Faith in a living God knowing and trusting that the King of kings and the Lord of lords has our back and His love is never failing but always protecting! Let us live by faith, let us love by faith let our lives be in the hands of a God that Loves us enough to sacrifice His only begotten Son for us!