Through The Eyes Of A Lion

Run To The Roar (Wk.4)

LifeNotes



Main Idea

Fear is overcome when we run to the roar.

Key Scriptures

Mark 5:24-34

A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean." Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cured. Mark 1:40-42

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him." In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." John 3:1-3

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. 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

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. Romans 8:37

Fear fades in the face of genuine faith.

We will run to the roar...

- When fear whispers we are not enough.
- When fear attempts to confuse our
- When fear tries to hold us back.

Our greatest fears are often where God wants to demonstrate His greatest power.

Start talking.

- Pastor Joel said, "Fear wants to force us away from faith." In what ways are fear and faith linked?
- What are examples of fear keeping someone from making the best choice?
- How does fear try to define us?

Start thinking.

- Read Mark 5:24-34. What do you think drew the woman to Jesus? Why was she willing to risk drawing close to Christ?
- How did Jesus respond to the woman? Why is his response significant?
- Read Mark 1:40-42. The man had experienced cruelty for years. What did he receive from Jesus? Why did Jesus touch him before healing him?
- Read John 3:1-3. What was Nicodemus risking by coming to Jesus at night?
- Read John 3:16-17. How did Jesus' words bring clarity to Nicodemus' confusion?

Start sharing.

- How has fear held you back in the past?
- In what ways do you see yourself in the three stories we looked at from scripture?
- How does running toward the words, person, and power of Christ impact fear in your life?
- Read Romans 8:16-17. What keeps you from believing you are "more than a conqueror"?

Start doing.

- Memorizing scripture becomes an incredibly powerful tool to fight back the fear in our lives. Commit this week to memorize Romans 8:37.
- What is one thing you have been resisting doing because of fear? How can you move toward confronting it and believing who Jesus calls you?

Closing prayer.

Jesus, I confess I allow fear to push me away from you and your will for my life. Please LORD give me the courage to move forward and run toward your roar in my life. Help me to exchange fear for faith and confusion for clarity. I commit today to run toward you when fear whispers I am not enough; when fear attempts to confuse my faith; and when fear tries to hold me back from the amazing adventure of life you have for me.