

GOD'S TREASURE

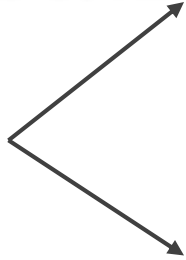
PART FOUR | The Fear of Man II



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THE FEAR OF THE LORD

THIS SERIES
OUR WHY?



Isaiah 33:6 Wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of your times, And the strength of salvation; **The fear of the Lord is His treasure.**
- Many **PROMISES**

DEFINITION



Revere, **Awe**, See God | His will & opinion the ultimate
Reverence from **revelation** | Revelation comes from real relationship and love

NOT



Natural fear, -demonic fear, -fear of man* or being casual with God

HOW?



Psalm 34:11 Come, **children**, listen to me; **I will teach** you the fear of the Lord. [Tongue from evil&lips from deceitful speech; Turn from evil; seek peace] **Psalm 86**



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CONDITIONS —→

Proverbs 2 – My Son... understand...

**JESUS & THE
FEAR OF GOD** —→

Matthew 10:28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

**JESUS, THE HOLY
SPIRIT & THE
FEAR OF GOD** —→

Isaiah 11:2 The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the **fear of the Lord.** **3 His delight is in the fear of the Lord,** And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears

OUR HELP | THE HELPER



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FEAR OF MAN →

Proverbs 29:25 The fear of man is a snare, but the one who trusts in the Lord is protected. **Proverbs 29:25 (NKJV)** The fear of man brings a snare, But whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.

FEAR OF MAN →

- What man thinks of you and what you do
 - This is the opposite of the fear of God
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1 SAMUEL 15 →

The LORD Rejects Saul as King because of the Fear of Man

CRIPPLING →

To the body of Christ: **Disappointment, resentment and the fear of man** |

WE PRAYED →

‘GOD EXPOSE THE SNARE’





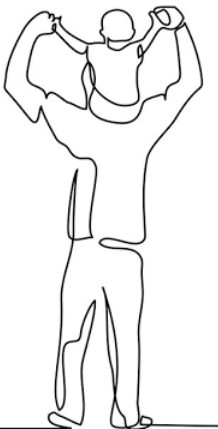
‘The Fear of God
is the greatest
antidote to the Fear of Man’

1. Fear of Man:

The Fear of Man is in opposition to the Fear of God

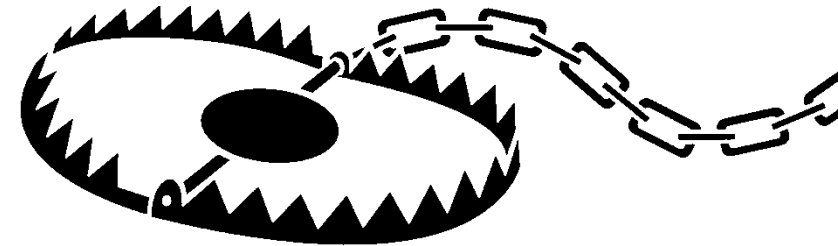
Control: **PEOPLE** vs **GOD**

- The enemy disguises its work through people...
- It is the antichrist spirit, which means, it ultimately wants to destroy the work, will and Church of Christ in our lives.
- It is pride that creeps in to destroy and control
- By “the father of lies” and “the accuser of the brethren”



THE FEAR OF MAN -

1. Fear of man is a snare
2. Fear of man wants to destroy
the work and will of Jesus in your life



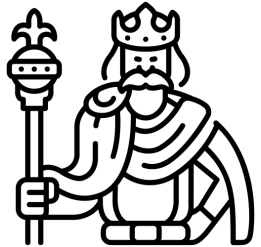
2. The Word: Stories

2.1 Matthew 14: John the Baptist Beheaded

1 At that time Herod the tetrarch heard the report about Jesus. 2 “This is John the Baptist!” he told his servants. “He has been raised from the dead, and that’s why supernatural powers are at work in him.” 3 For Herod had arrested John, chained him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, 4 since John had been telling him, “It’s not lawful for you to have her!” 5 Though he wanted to kill him, **he feared the crowd**, since they regarded him as a prophet. 6 But when **Herod’s birthday celebration** came, Herodias’s daughter danced before them and pleased Herod. 7 So he promised with an oath to give her whatever she might ask. 8 And prompted by her mother, she answered,



“Give me John the Baptist’s head here on a platter!” 9 Although the **king regretted it**, he commanded that it be granted because of his oaths and his guests. 10 So he sent orders and had John beheaded in the prison. 11 His head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, who carried it to her mother. 12 Then his disciples came, removed the corpse, buried it, and went and reported to Jesus.



- **Political leader** *[political spirit]*



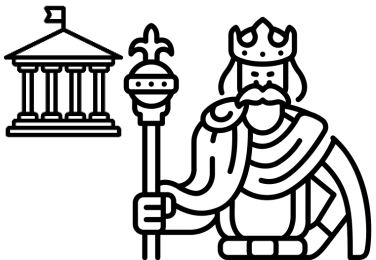
2.2 Matthew 27 Jesus or Barabbas

15 At the festival the governor's custom was to release to **the crowd** a prisoner they wanted. 16 At that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. 17 So when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Who is it you want me to release for you— Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Messiah?" 18 **For he knew they had handed Him over because of envy.** 19 While he was sitting on the judge's bench, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that **righteous man**, for today I've suffered terribly in a dream because of Him!" 20 The chief priests and the elders, however, **persuaded the crowds** to ask for Barabbas and to execute Jesus. 21 The governor asked them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" "Barabbas!" they answered. 22 Pilate



asked them, “What should I do then with Jesus, who is called Messiah?” They all answered, “Crucify Him!” 23 Then he said, “Why? What has He done wrong?” **But they kept shouting**, “Crucify Him!” all the more.

24 When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that a riot was starting instead, he took some water, washed his hands in front of the crowd, and said, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. **See to it yourselves!**” 25 All the people answered, “His blood be on us and on our children!” 26 Then he released Barabbas to them. But after having Jesus flogged, he handed Him over to be crucified.



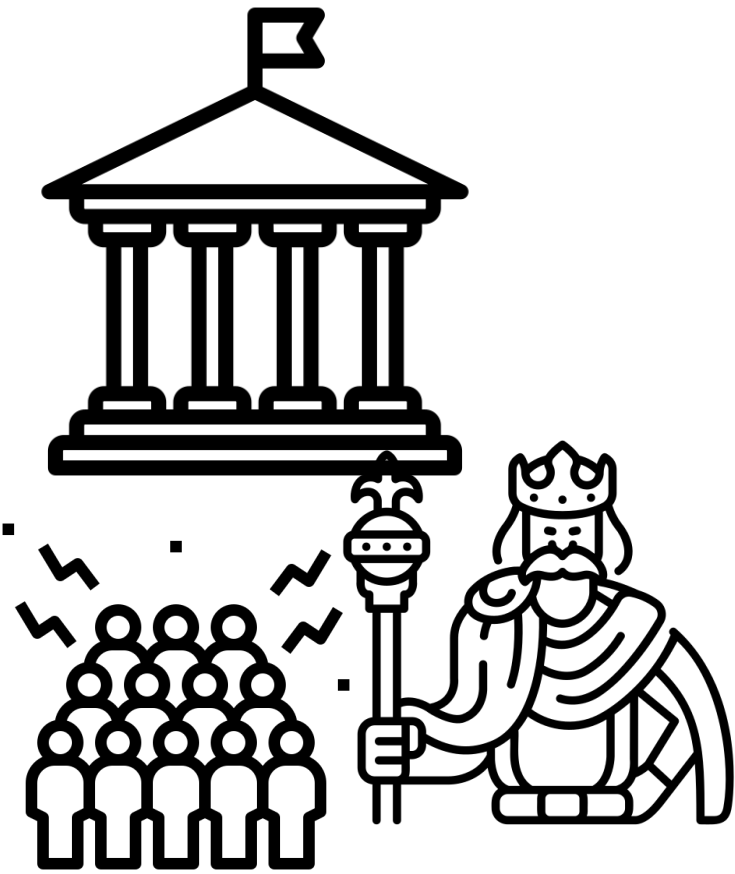
- **Political leader**

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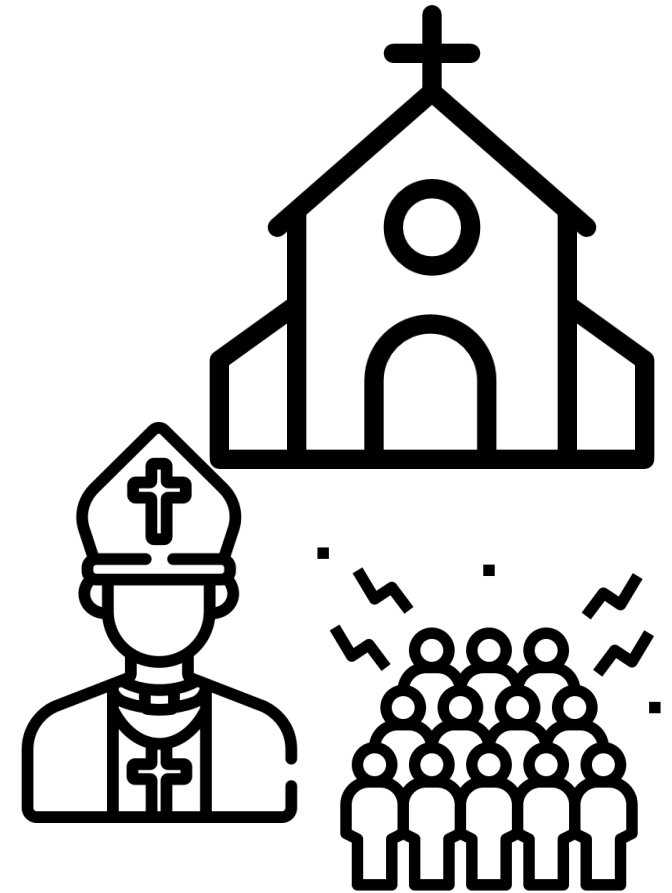
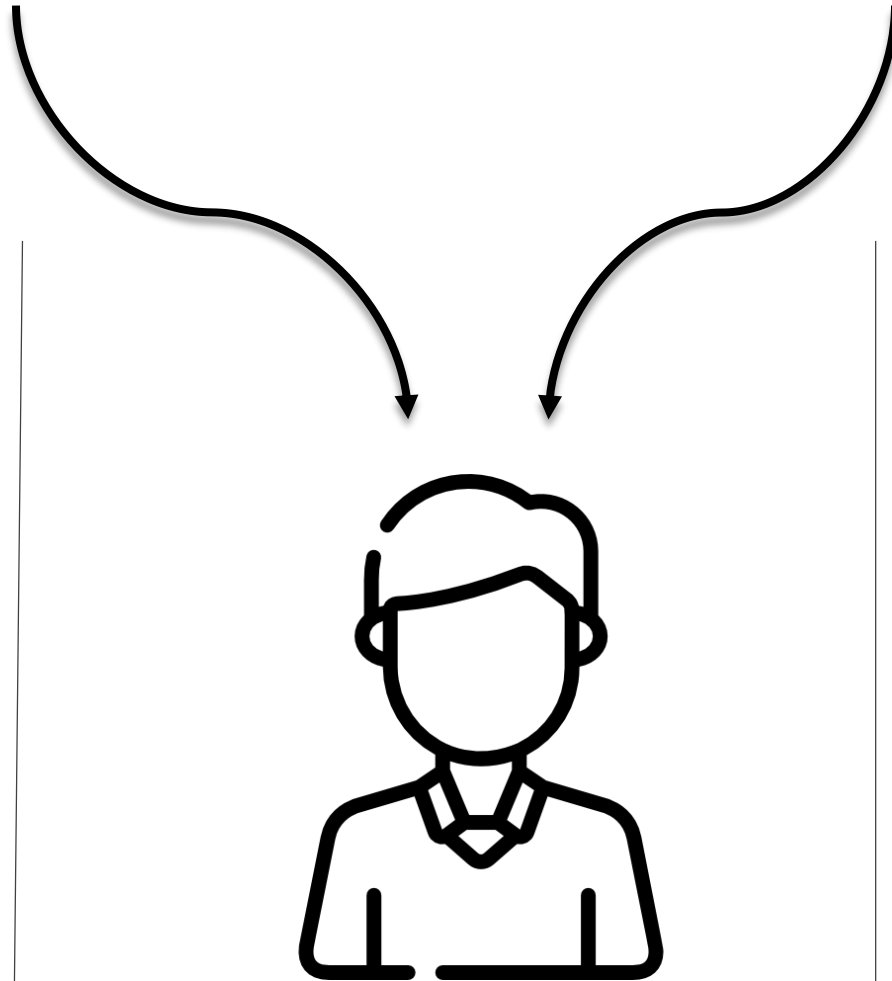


- **Religious leaders**

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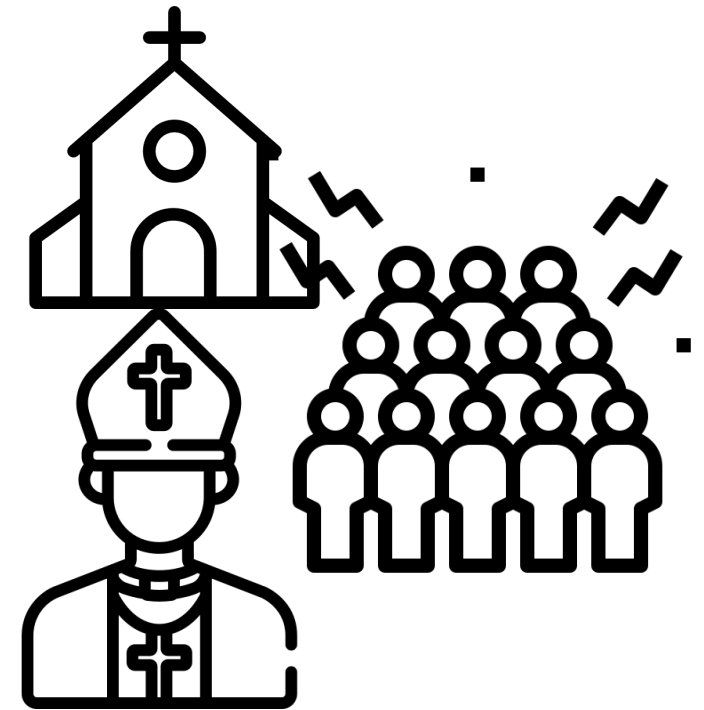
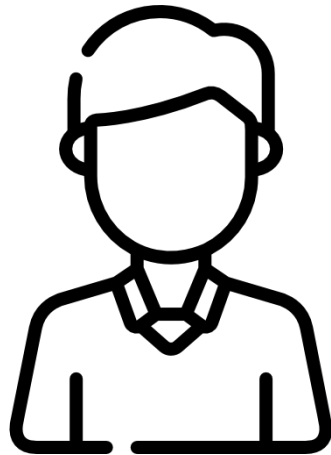
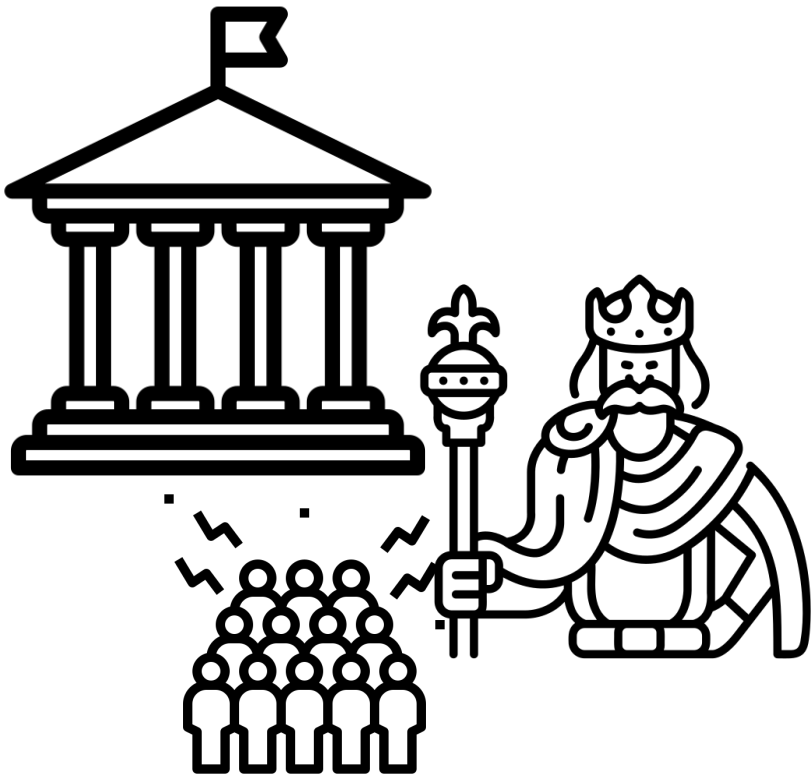


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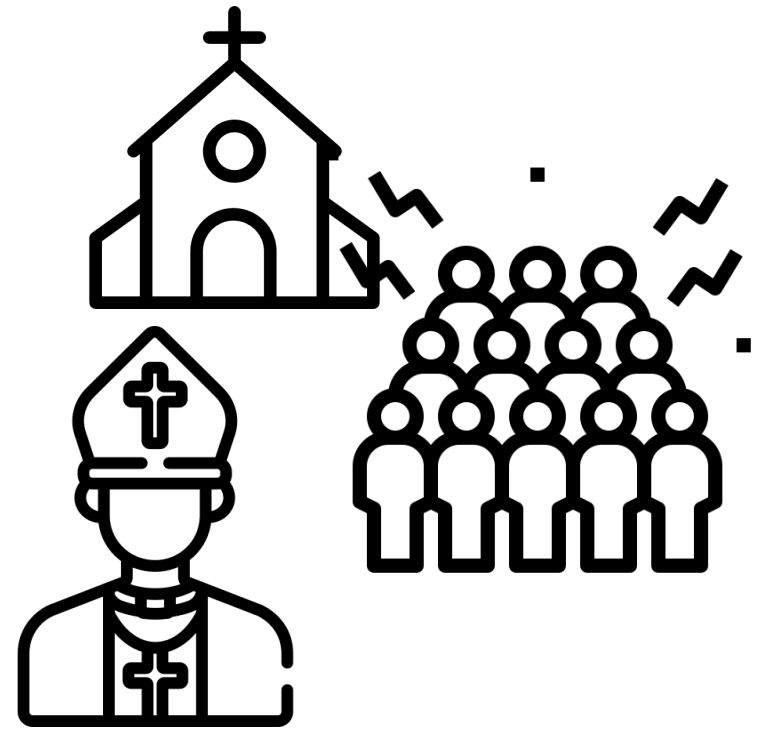
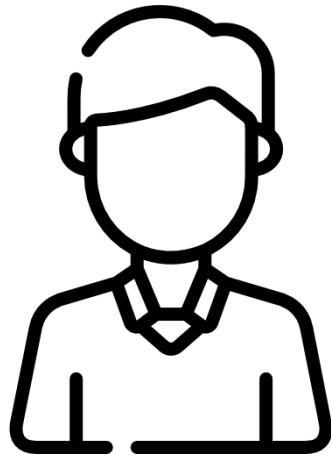
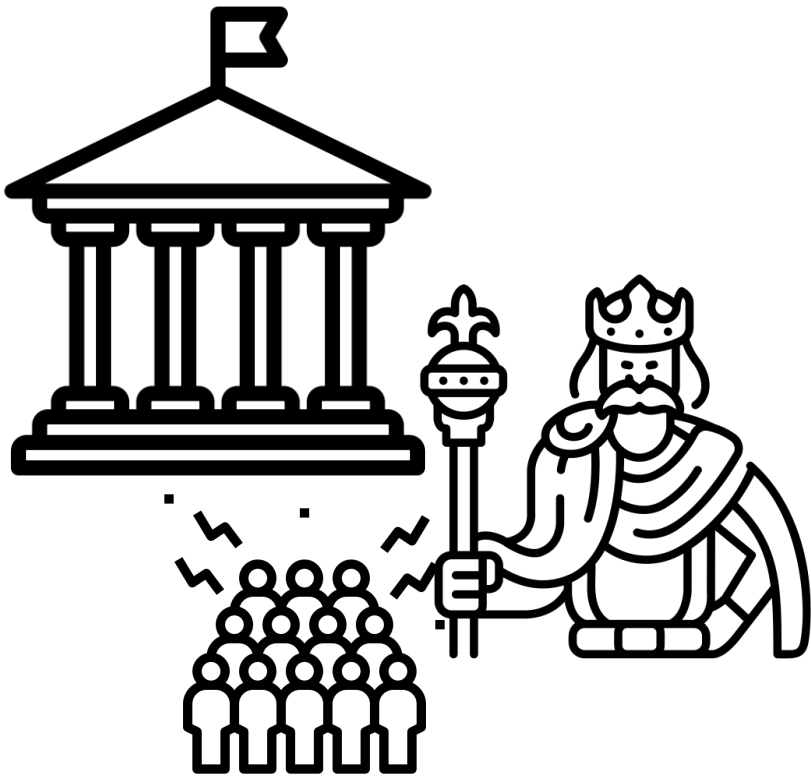


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AN ANTICHRIST SPIRIT AND NARRATIVE ATTACKING THE WORK OF JESUS



HOW DOES IT INFLUENCE US AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS ?



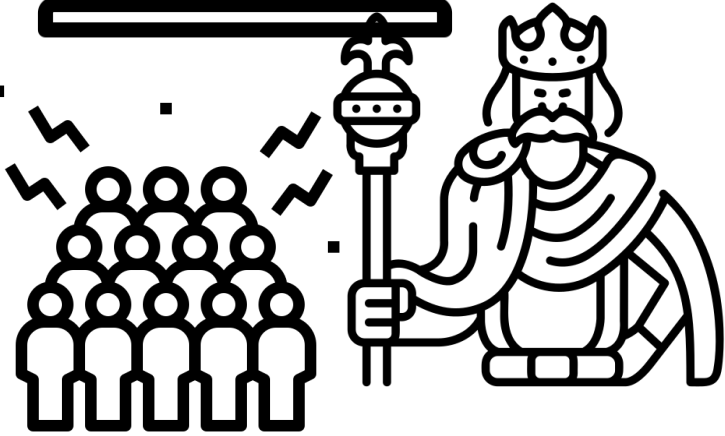
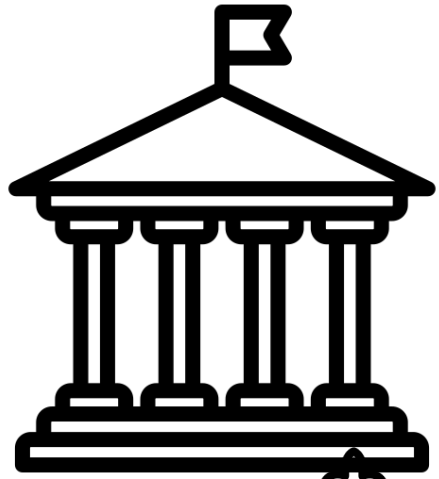
2.3 Mark 8: The Yeast of the Pharisees and Herod

14 The disciples had forgotten to bring bread, except for one loaf they had with them in the boat. 15 **“Be careful,” Jesus warned them.**

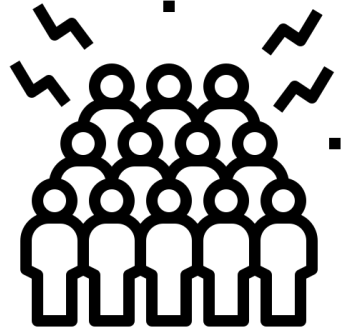
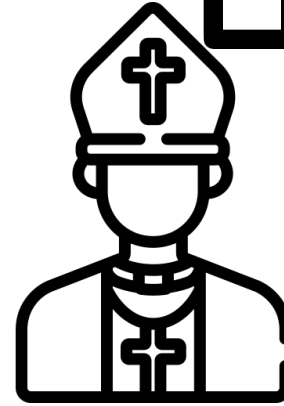
“Watch out for the yeast of the Pharisees and that of Herod.” 16 They discussed this with one another and said, “It is because we have no bread.” 17 Aware of their discussion, Jesus asked them: “Why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not see or understand? Are your hearts hardened? 18 Do you have eyes but fail to see, and ears but fail to hear? And don’t you remember? 19 When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many basketfuls of pieces did you pick up?” “Twelve,” they replied. 20 “And when I broke the seven loaves for the four thousand, how many basketfuls of pieces did you pick up?” They answered, “Seven.” 21 He said to them, “Do you still not understand?”



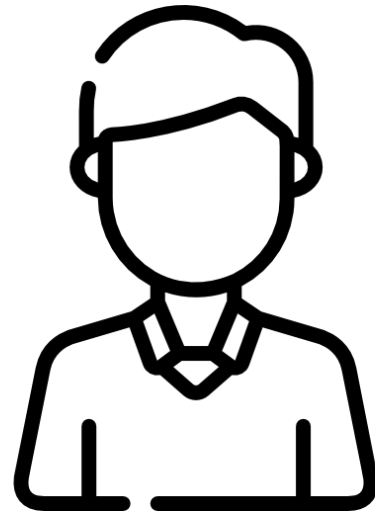
WARNING FROM JESUS



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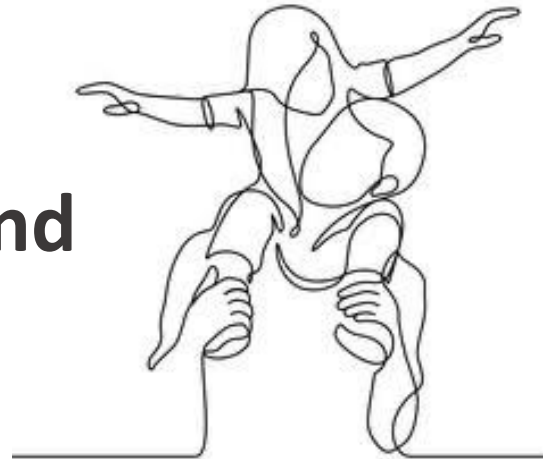


The reality we all face:

Top 5 Regrets people make on their Deathbed

1. I wish I'd had the courage to live a life true to myself, not the life others expected of me.
2. I wish I didn't work so hard.
3. I wish I'd had the courage to express my feelings.
4. I wish I had stayed in touch with my friends.
5. I wish that I had let myself be happier.

“I wish I lived a life of courage true to the fear of God and not by the fear of man and what people would think.”





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Prayer

