Wonder Woman: Forward in Freedom

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Fear is a normal response to danger and potential loss.

We were made to be God's man or woman. (Ephesians 2:10)

Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. ESV

Faith in Jesus Christ is at the core of dealing with fear.

God's man or woman deals with fear by...

• Refusing to fear men. (Proverbs 29:25)

Proverbs 29:25 The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is safe. ESV

SAY, PRAY, OBEY

SAY the verse that relates to the fear.

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Pray for God's help in the situation.

You might say something like...

Sample Prayer

God, I am scared of what people might think about this situation. Help me to choose to follow you and not give into my fear of man like Proverbs 29:25 says.

You obey God.

• Adopting God's values in faith. (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

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So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. 17 For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, 18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. ESV

• Relying on God's Spirit. (2 Timothy 1:7)

2 Timothy 1:7 for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. ESV

• Developing convictions. (Luke 9:23-25)

Luke 9:23-25 And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. 25 For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? ESV

Conviction – a firmly held belief or opinion

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• Encouraging each other to choose faith. (Hebrews 10:24-25)

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. ESV

God's man or woman is blessed. (Psalm 112:1)

Ps 112:1 Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in his commandments! ESV

My Next Step Today is to...

Become God's man or woman by... (check one):

- Dealing with my fear of ______
 Saying, Praying, and Obeying when I am fearful
 Developing more convictions based on the Bible
- Encouraging someone this week by _____