

No Fear Fear and People Matthew 10:24-33

The temptation to stay quiet (v24-25)

1. Focus on God and you'll be free from fearing people (v26-31)

Bank on the God
who thoroughly exposes (v26-27)

Fear the God
who thoroughly destroys (v28)¹

Trust the God
who thoroughly protects (v29-31)

2. ...and only then will we be acknowledged by Christ (v32-33)

1. When are we most tempted to stay quiet about our faith?
2. If we're worried about being misunderstood, how does it help us to remember that ultimately "nothing is covered that will not be revealed"?
3. How exactly does fearing God free us from freeing others? Do we actually fear getting on the wrong side of God more than we fear getting on the wrong side of others?
4. What does God's thorough protection of us really mean? And how is it a comfort?
5. Is the prospect of being acknowledged by Jesus on the last day a strong motivator for us day-by-day? How can we help one another keep this in our minds?

¹ Mark 9:48; Matthew 25:46; Psalm 25:4.