

Fear is a powerful thing

We obey what we fear. What we fear we will listen to and follow.
Do we fear what's going on in the world or do we fear the LORD?
We need to fear the Lord more than we fear the world.

QUESTION: Which direction are you looking?

1) OUR GOD IS ALWAYS WORKING

John 5:16-17 (NIV)

¹⁶ So, because Jesus was doing these things on the Sabbath, the Jewish leaders began to persecute him. ¹⁷ In his defense Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working."

- 1) OUR HELP IS ULTIMATELY FOUND IN JESUS
- 2) OUR GOD IS ALWAYS WORKING

2) EVEN IF WE CANNOT SEE IT, GOD IS AT WORK!

Genesis 50:20 (NIV)

You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

Greg Koukl QUOTE

"Remember, at no time during Joseph's entire life of suffering did he know how God was working. Only at the very end did he see it. Yet, God was there, nonetheless."

Romans 5:6 (ESV)

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

3) GOD IS STILL WORKING IN THIS EXACT MOMENT

Hebrews 7:25 (NIV)

Therefore he is able to save completely (forever) those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

1 John 4:18a (NIV)

There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear...