



**Big Idea: Children of God have nothing to fear.**

**-- "Fear Not..."**

- The two debilitating fears from which Jesus seeks to free our hearts are (1) the fear that we lack **VALUE** and (2) the fear that we lack **SECURITY** (Luke 12:22-28).
- Our inclination to these fears explains why it is so easy for us to make an idol out of money, because money appears to offer what we are afraid to lack.
- A deeper and more sinister fear that dwells at the root of our worries is the fear that God is not the kind of God who really wants to be **GOOD** to His children.
- In this morning's text, Jesus goes to great pains to help you and me not to feel that way about God any more.

**Luke 12:32**

**-- In this one short sentence, our Lord communicates a love that has every power to quell every fear.**

**-- Our freedom from anxiety begins with understanding the **FATHERHOOD** of God.**

- To fret over the stuff of this world is to regard ourselves as spiritual orphans.
- We do not need to be afraid, because we belong to the **FAMILY** of God (1 John 3:1).
- God is the kind of Father who delights to give us His kingdom.

**-- God's love for us is magnified when we remember that the gift of His kingdom is the **COSTLIEST** of all possible gifts.**

- The only reason we can now be joined to God as his children is because Jesus was separated from His Father on the cross.
- Jesus surrendered the eternal family love of the Father so that we could gain it.

- We need not worry about what we are to **EAT** because God has given us the broken body of Christ.
- We need not be anxious about what we will **DRINK** because God has provided for us the atoning blood of Jesus Christ.