DUMB AND DUMBER: THIS IS YOUR WAY OUT

FEAR OF PEOPLE PROVERBS 29:25



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FEAR OF PEOPLE WILL TRAP YOU BUT TRUST IN GOD WILL LIFT YOU UP.

Proverbs 29:25

The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is safe.

Proverbs 13:14

The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death.

Proverbs 14:27

The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death.

Snares are...

- Planted on heavily traveled paths.
- Set to deceive prey on the run.

Q: What is the fear of people?

A: Where people become big and God becomes small.

Dangers of the fear of people

- It can cause you to lose your **integrity** Genesis 12:11-13; Genesis 20:2,11
- It can cause you to miss out on huge <u>wins</u> God has waiting for you Numbers 13:25-33
- It can cause you to act like something you're not 1 Samuel 21:10-13
- It can cause you to be **ashamed** of what you know is true John 9:22-23
- It can keep you on the road to hell John 12:42-43

Action Point

Remember your security is in the sovereign God of the universe rather than in the fluctuating opinions of mortal people.

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