

## One Door and Only One

Matthew 10:26-31

### 1. Outside the door is genuine fear.

a. *You should fear God.*

<sup>28b</sup> **fear him** which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

- i. Fear (phobia) is to be terrified.
- ii. The context tells you this is true.

b. *You should fear God because he can send you to the Lake of Fire.*

<sup>28b</sup> **fear him** which is **able to destroy both soul and body in hell.**

- i. The final judgment is eternal death in the Lake of Fire (the final death).
- ii. The hell Jesus refers to is described in Scripture three ways:

1. Destruction
2. Banishment
3. Punishment

### 2. Inside the door is genuine peace.

a. *God wants us to live in perfect peace.*

<sup>31</sup> **Fear ye not** therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

- i. Remember, the apostles had a valid reason for being afraid.
- ii. Yet Jesus promised to be with them even to the end of the world.

b. *This means he does not want us to live in fear.*

<sup>31</sup> **Fear ye not** therefore, **ye are of more value than many sparrows.**

- i. V. 26: do not be afraid: reason → there are eternal blessings in Christ.
- ii. V. 28: do not be afraid: reason → God's enemies cannot take away your soul.
- iii. V. 31: do not be afraid: reason → you matter to God.