

A dark, atmospheric photograph of a forest with many bare, thin trees. The scene is misty and has a monochromatic blue-green tint. The word "HAUNTED" is centered in the image in a white, serif font.

HAUNTED

# Haunted by Fear

Isaiah 43L1-2

# Haunted Review

- Haunted: to frequent or visit on a regular basis with the intent to cause worry, anxiety or distress.
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- *We are haunted by experiences*
- *We are haunted by events*
- *We are haunted by emotions*

# What Does It Mean to Fear?

- Fear is emotional distress caused by impending danger, evil or pain even if the threat is imagined.
- Fear is the anticipation of something unpleasant will occur

# Max Lucado on Fear

- **The presence of fear does not mean that you have no faith. Fear visits everyone. But make your fear a visitor and not a resident.**

# How Does Fear Haunt Us?

- Fear focuses on dread
- Fear flourishes in panic
- Fear flusters us with dismay
- Fear falsifies reality

# The Problems Fear Causes

- Fear imprisons us
- Fear intensifies our problems
- Fear rises in insecurities
- Fear immobilizes us
- Fear lives in our issues

# Isaiah 43:1-2

- <sup>1</sup> But now, this is what the LORD says-- he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine."

# Isaiah 43:1-2

- 2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

# Fear is Removed through God's Deliverance

- God's deliverance is a promise
- God's deliverance pardons us from fear
- God's deliverance places us with Him

# Fear is Removed through God's Defense

- God's defense gives us strength
- God's defense gives us security
- God's defense gives us support
- God's defense gives us stability

# Fear is Removed through God's Dependability

- God's dependability offers us confidence
- God's dependability offers us courage
- God's dependability offers us comfort
- God's dependability offers us compassion

# How Do We Handle Fear?

- Remember that God's presence is with us
- Remember that God's promises are real
- Remember that God's protection surrounds us