



RUNNING TOWARDS THE ROAR

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My courage grows when I run _____ what scares me.

Our Five Greatest Fears:

- Fear of _____
- Fear of _____
- Fear of _____
- Fear of not being _____
- Fear of the _____

How we usually handle them:

- We _____ them.
- We _____ them.
- We _____ from them.

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Our Three Obstacles from Running Toward the Roar:

- A _____ day - any challenges or storms we face.
- _____ ground - any time the conditions don't meet my standards.
- _____ visibility - when I can't see clearly.

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Critical Question: What if the very thing you’re avoiding is the very place God wants to _____ your _____?

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Remember: Courage is not the _____ of fear; it’s going _____ in spite of it.

1 Chronicles 11:22b (NLT)

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Psalms 27:1 (NLT)

The Lord is my light and my salvation—so why should I be afraid? The Lord is my fortress, protecting me from danger, so why should I tremble?

What’s my “lion”?

- The _____ I’m avoiding.
- The _____ of obedience to God I keep delaying.
- The _____ person, place, or thing God is asking me to trust Him with.

Truth Bomb: The pathway through fear starts when I _____ my lion and jump into the pit with it.

Deuteronomy 31:6 (NLT)

So be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid and do not panic before them. For the Lord your God will personally go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor abandon you.

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Isaiah 41:10 (GNT)

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This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

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