

Fear of the Lord

I have shared the last two weeks on the Fear of the Lord. I have listed some of the thoughts and scriptures below for your encouragement.

The Fear of the Lord includes, but is more than, respecting Him. Fearing Him means to give Him the place of glory, honor, reverence, thanksgiving, praise, and preeminence He deserves. (What He deserves not what we think He deserves). He holds this position in our life when we esteem Him and His desires over and above our own.

We have been talking about the Fear of the Lord and it being one of the crucial elements of preparing a place for God to dwell. I shared last week I would email some of the promises of Fearing the Lord from scripture. I encourage you to print them off and read them on a regular basis. I know that it will have a great impact on your life.

Promises for Those Who Fear the Lord

1. *Fruitfulness---*

"But the midwives feared God, and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live....And because the midwives feared God He gave them families."
(Exodus 1:17,21)

2. *Deters us from sinning---*

"And Moses said to the people, Do not fear; for God has come to prove you, and that the fear of Him may be before your eyes, that you may not sin." (Exodus 20:20)

3. *Blessings on us and on our children---*

"Oh that they had such a mind as this always, to fear Me and to keep all my commandments, that it might go well with them and with their children for ever!" (Deuteronomy 5:29)

4. *Prolonged days---*

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight. For by me your days will be multiplied, and years will be added to your life." (Proverbs 9:10,11)

5. *Preservation of life---*

"The fear of the Lord leads to life; and he who has it rests satisfied; he will not be visited by harm" (Proverbs 19:23)

6. *Deliverance---*

"But you shall fear the Lord your God, and He will deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies." (2 Kings 17:39)

7. *Taught of the Lord---*

"Who is the man that fears the Lord? Him will He instruct in the way that He should choose."
(Psalm 25:12)

8. *Friendship with God---*

"The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear Him." (Psalm 25:14)

9. *Revelation of truth---*

"The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear Him, and He makes known to them His covenant." (Psalm 25:14)

10. *Abundant Goodness---*

"O how abundant is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for those who fear thee..." (Psalm 31:19)

11. God's attention---

"Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love." (Psalm 33:18)

12. Angelic Protection and deliverance---

"The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them." (Psalm 34:7)

13. Provision for all needs---

"O fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear Him have no want!" (Psalm 34:9)

I think you are getting the picture. The fear of the Lord is something to desire in our life. I have listed 20+ scriptures at the end with promises to those who Fear the Lord.

Read Isaiah 11:1-3 – we should delight in the Fear of the Lord.

How Do I Obtain the Fear of the Lord

1. I make it a choice with our will. (Proverbs 1:29)
2. I confess my lack of the Fear of the Lord and seek God diligently for the Fear of the Lord. (Hebrews 11:6) I receive it by faith.
3. I make a study of the Fear of the Lord from the Word of God. (Proverbs 2:1-5)
4. I welcome God's lessons as He teaches me the Fear of the Lord. (Psalm 34:11-14)

Additional scriptures: Psalm 61:5; Psalm 103:11,13; Psalm 111:5,10; Psalm 112:1; Psalm 115:13,14; Psalm 128; Psalm 115:11; Psalm 119:63; Psalm 145:19; Psalm 147:11; Proverbs 3:7-8; Proverbs 14:26; Proverbs 16:6; Proverbs 19:23; Proverbs 22:4; Proverbs 31:30; Ecclesiastes 7:18; Jeremiah 32:40; Malachi 3:16; Luke 1:50; Acts 10:35

Blessings,

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