

FEAR THE LORD AND DEPART FROM EVIL

FEAR AND FEAR NOT - WHAT SHOULD YOU FEAR AND WHAT NOT TO FEAR?

Luke 12:4-5 (KJV)

⁴ And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. ⁵ But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

THE FEAR OF DEATH COMES OUT OF A LIFE AFTER THE FLESH AND BRINGS ONE INTO BONDAGE

Hebrews 2:14-15 (KJV)

¹⁴ Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; ¹⁵ And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Romans 8:13-16 (KJV)

¹³ For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. ¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. ¹⁵ For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. ¹⁶ The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

WE ARE NOT TO FEAR THE DEVIL BUT WE HAVE TO FEAR GOD

Deuteronomy 10:12 (KJV)

¹² And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

1 Peter 1:17-20 (KJV)

¹⁷ And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: ¹⁸ Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; ¹⁹ But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: ²⁰ Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

GRACE TO SERVE GOD IN FEAR

Hebrews 12:28 (KJV)

²⁸ Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

BE HOLY FOR GOD IS HOLY

1 Peter 1:14-15 (KJV)

¹⁴ *As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: ¹⁵ But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;*

2 Corinthians 7:1 (KJV)

¹ *Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.*

HUSBANDS AND WIVES RELATIONS SHOULD BE IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD

Ephesians 5:21-22, 25 (KJV)

²¹ *Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. ²² Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.*

²⁵ *Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;*

THE FEAR OF GOD BRINGS FORGIVENESS

2 Corinthians 2:10-11 (KJV)

¹⁰ *To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ; ¹¹ Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.*

THE REVERENTIAL FEAR OF GOD BRINGS PROTECTION AND SECURITY IN OUR LIVES

Job 1:9-10 (KJV)

⁹ *Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? ¹⁰ Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.*

KNOWING THE FEAR OF THE LORD, WE LABOUR TO BE ACCEPTED BY JESUS CHRIST

2 Corinthians 5:9-11 (KJV)

⁹ *Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. ¹¹ Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord (**the fear of the Lord**), we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.*

THE FEAR OF THE LORD BRINGS DIVINE ENCOUNTER

Acts 10:1-4 (KJV)

¹ *There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band, ² A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway. ³ He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius. ⁴ And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.*