

“FEARING GOD”

Lesson 3

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I. Introduction / Review

A. Fear = reverence, awe, a holy trembling because of who God is.

1. It is a sweet and blessed work of the Holy Spirit given by God to His children - Heb. 12:28
2. The object of our fear is God Himself
 - a. His presence is dreadful (awe-full)
 - b. His name is dreadful
 - c. Worship of Him is dreadful
 - d. Service for Him is dreadful

II. The Written Word of God is to be feared

A. The “fear of the Lord” = the written Word in Psalm 119:9

1. Psalm 34:11
2. Psalm 111:10

B. Scripture is the rule and director of our fear or awe of God.

1. Deut. 6:1-3,24 10:12 17:19
2. 2 Chron. 34:26-27
3. Isaiah 66:5
4. Exodus 9:20-25

C. Reason to fear His written Word

1. Because they are the Words of God
 - a. Hab. 3:16
 - b. Psalm 29: 1-4

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2. Because of the subject matter
 - a. John 12:48
3. Because of the truth and faithfulness in it
 - a. Matt. 24:35
 - b. Dan. 10:21
 - c. Rev. 19:9
 - d. Psalm 19:9
 3. Prov. 13:13
4. Because all transgression and sin begin at wandering away from the Word of God.
 - a. Psalm 17:4
 - b. Prov. 4:20-22
 - c. Jer. 44: 16-17
 - d. Mark 8:38