

TOPIC: THE BLESSINGS OF THE FEAR OF GOD

THEME: THE BLESSINGS OF THE FEAR OF GOD PART 3.

TEXT: PSALM 111:10, ECCLESIASTES 12:13-14, DEUT. 6:1-2

Introduction

Fearing the Lord means to be in reverent awe of His holiness, to give Him complete reverence and to honour Him as the God of great glory, majesty, purity and power.

Why Fear God?

“We should be in awe of Him because of His matchless power as the Creator of all things and all people (Psalm 33:6-9).

When we truly realize God’s holiness (His purity, perfection and separation from evil), the normal response of the human spirit is to fear Him (Revelation 15:4).

Anyone who sees or experiences a manifestation (visible or physical sign or demonstration) of God’s glory cannot help but become afraid (Matthew 17:1-8).

The continual blessings we receive from God, especially the forgiveness of our sins should lead us to fear and love Him (1 Samuel 12:24).

Today we conclude our study on the Blessing of the fear of God where we will get more understanding and see more clearly that true fear of the Lord Causes believers to place their faith and trust in Him alone.

The Blessing of the Fear of God.

There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. (1 John 4:18)

1. The Fear of God gives a hope far beyond death (Psalm 112:1-3 NLT)
Q: In what way is the fear of God fundamental to hope beyond death?
2. The Fear of God causes Prayers to be answered (Hebrews 5:7 NLT)
Q: Why did you think God heard Jesus prayers in this text?
3. The Fear of God activates Angels (Psalm 34:7 AMP)
Q: What is the connection between the fear of God and angelic protection?
4. The Fear of God makes us to be contented and satisfied (Proverbs 19:23 AMP). God’s fear brings divine covering.
5. It is protection from evil (Proverbs 16:6 NLT)
Q: By fearing the LORD, people avoid evil how does this compare with having a personal relationship with God?
6. The Fear of God gives us peace (Acts 9:31 NLT)

Q: How does fearing God brings you peace

7. The Fear of God gives deliverance from enemies (2 Kings 17:39 AMP)
8. The Fear of God is a light in darkness (Malachi 4:2 AMPC)

Q: Explain in details how the fear of God results in God's blessing in our lives?

Conclusion

It is a sobering and absolute truth that God is constantly aware of our actions and motives, both good and bad, and that we will be held accountable for those actions, both now and on the day of our personal judgment.

God has promised to reward all those who fear Him. "Humility and the fear of the Lord bring wealth and honour and life" (Proverbs 22:4). Other promised rewards include security and protection from death (Proverbs 14:26-27), provisions for daily needs (Psalm 34:9) and a long life (Proverbs 10:27). Those who live in reverent awe of God know that "it will go better with God-fearing men," regardless of what happens in the world around them (Ecclesiastics 8:12-13).