

THE LEADER'S GODLY FEAR

(The Command And Reward Of The Fear Of God)



- ◆ What Is The Fear Of The Lord?
- ◆ Why Is It So Important?
- ◆ How Do You Obtain This Treasure?
- ◆ What Are The Rewards Of Fearing God?

“Blessed is the man that fears the Lord” (Psalm 112:1)

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“100 REASONS”

(To Walk In The Fear Of The Lord)

1. “Abraham, Abraham, lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him, for now I know that thou **fearest God**, seeing thou has not withheld thy son from me” (Genesis 22:12)
2. “And Joseph said unto them the third day, this do and live, for I **fear God**” (Genesis 42:18)
3. “And it came to pass, because the midwives **feared God**, that he made them houses” (Exodus 1:21)
4. “Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as **fear God**, men of truth, hating covetousness” (Exodus 18:21)
5. “For God is come to prove you, that **His fear** may be before your faces, that ye sin not” (Ex.20:20)
6. “Thou shalt not rule over him with rigor, but shall **fear thy God**” (Leviticus 25:43)
7. “Gather the people together and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to **fear Me** all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children” (Deut. 4:10)
8. “O that Israel had such a heart in them that they would **fear Me** and keep my commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children” (Deuteronomy 5:29)
9. “**Fear the Lord** your God, keep His statutes and commandments and your days will be prolonged” (Deuteronomy 6:2)
10. “What does the Lord require of thee, but to **fear the Lord** thy God, to walk in His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord with all thy heart and with all thy soul” (Deuteronomy 10:12)
11. “And thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed that the field bringeth forth year by year...that thou mayest learn to **fear the Lord** thy God always” (Deuteronomy 12:22-23)
12. “For the Lord dried up the waters of Jordan and the Red Sea...that the people might **fear the Lord** forever” (Joshua 4:23-24)
13. “Now therefore **fear the Lord** and serve Him in sincerity and in truth” (Joshua 24:14)
14. “If you will **fear the Lord**, and serve Him, and obey His voice and not rebel against Him then you and the king will continue on to follow the Lord” (I Samuel 12:14)
15. “Only **fear the Lord** and serve Him in truth with all your heart, for consider how great things He has done for you” (I Samuel 12:24)
16. “He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the **fear of God**” (II Samuel 23:3)
17. “...I thy servant **fear the Lord** from my youth” (I Kings 18:12)

18. "**Fear** before Him all the earth, the world also shall be stable that it be not moved" (I Chron. 16:30)
19. "O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant who desires to **fear Thy Name** and prosper" (Nehemiah 1:11)
20. "The former governors took bread of the people...but I did not because of the **fear of God**" (Nehemiah 5:15)
21. "I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler of the palace charge over Jerusalem, for he was a faithful man and **feared God** above many" (Nehemiah 7:2)
22. "And the Lord said unto Satan, have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and upright man, one that **fears God** and eschews evil?" (Job 1:8)
23. "Behold the **fear of the Lord**, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding" (Job 28:28)
24. "Serve the Lord **with fear**, and rejoice with trembling" (Psalm 2:11)
25. "God honors them that **fear the Lord**" (Psalm 15:4)
26. "The **fear of the Lord** is clean, enduring forever" (Psalm 19:9)
27. "What man is he that **feareth the Lord**? Him shall He teach in the way that he shall choose. He will spend his days in prosperity and his descendants shall inherit the land" (Psalm 25:12-13)
28. "The Lord confides in those who **fear Him**, He makes His covenant known to them" (Psalm 25:14)
29. "Oh how great is your goodness Lord which you have laid up for those who **fear you**" (Ps. 31:19)
30. "Let all the earth **fear the Lord**; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him" (Ps. 33:8)
31. "Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that **fear Him**, upon them that hope in His mercy" (Psalm 33:18)
32. "The angel of the Lord encamps around all those who **fear the Lord**" (Psalm 34:7)
33. "O **fear the Lord** ye His saints, for there is no want to them that fear Him" (Psalm 34:9)
34. "Come ye children, hearken unto me; I will teach you the **fear of the Lord**" (Psalm 34:11)
35. "The transgression of the wicked man testifies that there is no **fear of God** before his eyes" (Psalm 36:1)
36. "For thou O God hast heard my vows, thou hast given me the heritage of those that **fear Thy name**" (Psalm 61:5)
37. "Come and hear, all ye that **fear God**, and I will declare what He hath done for my soul" (Ps. 66:16)
38. "Thou, even thou, art to be **feared**, and who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry?" (Psalm 76:7)

39. "Teach me thy way O Lord, I will walk in Thy truth, unite my heart to **fear Thy Name**"(Ps. 86:11)
40. "God is greatly to be **feared** in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about Him" (Psalm 89:7)
41. "For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be **feared** above all gods" (Psalm 96:4)
42. "For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His love for those who **fear Him**" (Psalm 103:11)
43. "Like a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that **fear Him**" (Psalm 103:13)
44. "God gives meat (provisions) to those who **fear Him**; He will ever be mindful of His covenant" (Psalm 111:5)
45. "Praise ye the Lord; blessed is the man that **feareth the Lord**, that delighteth greatly in His commandments" (Psalm 112:1)
46. "His seed shall be mighty upon earth, the generation of the upright shall be blessed" (Psalm 112: 2)
47. "Wealth and riches shall be in His house, and His righteousness endureth forever" (Psalm 112:3)
48. "You that **fear the Lord** and trust Him, to you the Lord is a help and shield" (Psalm 115:11)
49. "He will bless them that **fear the Lord**, both small and great" (Psalm 115:13)
50. "Establish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy **fear**" (Psalm 119:38)
51. "I am a companion of those who **fear God**, of them that keep His word" (Psalm 119:63)
52. "Blessed is every one that **feareth the Lord**, that walketh in His ways" (Psalm 128:1)

"For thou shalt eat the labor of thine hands; happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee" (v.2)

"Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house; thine children like olive plants round about thy table" (v. 3)
53. "Behold, the man shall be blessed that **fears the Lord**" (Psalm 128:4)
54. "God will fulfill the desire of those who **fear Him**, He also will hear their cry and save them" (Psalm 145:19)
55. "The Lord taketh pleasure in them that **fear Him**, in those that hope in His mercy" (Psalm 147:11)
56. "The **fear of the Lord** is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction" (Proverbs 1:7)

57. "They shall call upon me, but I will not answer...because they did not choose **the fear of the Lord**" (Proverbs 1:28-29)
58. "My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee" (Proverbs 2:1)
 "So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding" (Proverbs 2:2)
 "Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding" (Proverbs 2:3)
 "If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures" (Proverbs 2:4)
 "Then shalt thou understand **the fear of the Lord**, and find the knowledge of God" (Proverbs 2:5)
59. "Be not wise in thine own eyes, **fear the Lord**, and depart from evil" (Proverbs 3:7)
60. "The **fear of the Lord** is to hate evil; pride and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth do I hate" (Proverbs 8:13)
61. "The **fear of the Lord** is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the holy is understanding" (Proverbs 9:10)
62. "For by me thy days shall be multiplied and the years of thy life shall be increased" (Proverbs 9:11)
63. "In **the fear of the Lord** is strong confidence, and His children shall have a place of refuge" (Proverbs 14:26)
64. "The **fear of the Lord** is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death" (Proverbs 14:27)
65. "Better is little with **the fear of the Lord** than great treasure and trouble therewith" (Prov. 15:16)
66. "**The fear of the Lord** is the instruction of wisdom, and before honor is humility" (Proverbs 15:33)
67. "By mercy and truth iniquity is purged; and by **the fear of the Lord** men depart from evil" (Proverbs 16:6)
68. "**The fear of the Lord** tendeth to life, and he that has it will abide satisfied" (Proverbs 19:23)
69. "By humility and **the fear of the Lord** are riches, honor and life" (Proverbs 22:4)
70. "Let not your heart envy sinners, but be zealous for **the fear of the Lord**" (Proverbs 23:17)
71. "My son, **fear the Lord** and the king, and do not join with the rebellious; for you will go down with them to sudden disaster, and ruin comes in the end" (Proverbs 24:21-22)
72. "Happy is the man that **feareth the Lord**, but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief" (Proverbs 28:14)
73. "For in the multitude of dreams and many words there are also divers vanities, but **fear thou God**" (Ecclesiastes 5:7)
74. "It shall be well with them that **fear God**" (Ecclesiastes 8:12)

75. "But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow, because he **feareth not before God**" (Ecclesiastes 8:13)
76. "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter; **Fear God**, and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13)
77. "Sanctify the Lord of hosts Himself, and **let Him be your fear**; and let Him be your dread, and He shall be for a sanctuary" (Isaiah 8:13-14)
78. "Forasmuch as this people draw near Me with their mouth, and with their lips do honor Me, but have removed their heart far from Me, and their **fear** toward Me is taught by the precept of men" (Isaiah 29:13)
79. "Wisdom and knowledge will be the foundation for your times, and strength of salvation, **the fear of the Lord** is the key to this treasure" (Isaiah 33:6)
80. "Who is among you that **fears the Lord**?" (Isaiah 50:10)
81. "And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may **fear Me forever**, for the good of them, and of their children after them" (Jeremiah 32:39)
82. "And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them to do them good, but I will put **My fear** in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me" (Jeremiah 32:40)
83. "The children of Israel shall return and seek the Lord... and shall **fear the Lord** and His goodness in the latter days" (Hosea 3:5)
84. "And Jonah said, I am a Hebrew and **I fear the Lord**, the God of heaven which has made the sea and the day land" (Jonah 1:9)
85. "A son honors his father and a servant his master, if I then be your Father, where is My honor and **where is my fear** saith the Lord?" (Malachi 1:6)
86. "His mercy is on them that **fear Him** from generation to generation" (Luke 1:50)
87. "Then had the churches rest throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria, and walking in **the fear of the Lord**, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied" (Acts 9:31)
88. "There was a certain man named Cornelius; a devout man and one that **feared God** with all his house" (Acts 10:1-2)
89. "Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you **feareth God**, to you is the word of this salvation sent" (Acts 13:26)
90. "There is no **fear of God** before their eyes" (Romans 3:18)
91. "Be not high-minded, but **fear the Lord**" (Romans 11:20)
92. "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**" (II Corinthians 7:1)

93. "Work out your own salvation with **fear** and trembling" (Philippians 2:12)
94. "Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto Him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that **he feared**" (Hebrews 5:7)
95. "Since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us offer to God acceptable worship with reverence and **godly fear**" (Hebrews 12:28)
96. "But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation" (I Peter 1:15)
97. "Because it is written, be ye holy, for I am holy" (I Peter 1:16)
98. "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**" (I Peter 1:17)
99. "Honor all men, love the brotherhood, **fear God** honor the king" (I Peter 2:17)
100. "God will reward His servants, His prophets, His saints and them that **fear His name**" (Revelation 11:18)

THE FEAR OF GOD

1. A steadfast disposition that takes God extremely serious in every area of my life.
2. Making God's opinion of me more important than anyone else's opinion of me.
3. The response of my heart to the holiness of God.
4. Loving what God loves and hating what God hates.
5. A conscious awareness of God's presence wherever I go, whoever I am with, what ever I do all the day long.

HYPOCRITE

When there is any difference between my sincerest moment before men and what God knows to be the reality – to that degree I am a hypocrite, not transparent, insincere and not walking in the fear of the Lord.

AMEN!
Bill Kirk, Pastor

WHAT IS A HYPOCRITE?

“For what is the hope of the **hypocrite**, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?” (Job 27:8)

“The joy of the **hypocrite**, is but for a moment” (Job 20:5)

“The hope of the **hypocrite**, shall perish” (Job 8:13)

“Thou **hypocrite**, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother’s eye” (Matthew 7:5)

“Do not do as the **hypocrites** do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men” (Matthew 6:2)

The English word “**hypocrite**” comes from the New Testament Greek work (HUPOKRITES) which means:

- ◆ “An actor under an assumed character”
- ◆ “A deceit and disassembler”
- ◆ “Acting under a feigned part”

In Plain Vanilla – A Hypocrite Is:

- #1. Someone (like a stage player) who feigns to be what he is not.
- #2. Someone who appears to be virtuous without possessing the reality.
- #3. Someone who says one thing but does another.
- #4. Someone who isn’t in private what they are in public.
- #5. Someone who pretends to be what they are not.

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P.S. “Now therefore, fear the Lord and serve Him **in sincerity and in truth**”

Amen! Bill Kirk, Pastor

How Can I Tell (If I Have The Fear Of The Lord Or Not?)

Ask Yourself:

- #1. Am I diligently searching the Scriptures to know God better.
- #2. Is there any secret sin (in word, thought or deed) that contaminates and pollutes my heart?
- #3. Do I harbor any ill will (grudges, bad feelings or unforgiveness) towards anyone that has ever offended me?
- #4. Do I resent any of the delegated authorities that God has placed over me in my life?
- #5. Am I angry at God for any of the circumstances in my life that have detoured my plans and expectations?
- #6. Am I practicing anything that is causing someone else to stumble?
- #7. Am I addicted to (enslaved by) any hobbies or habits that do not have eternal values attached to them?
- #8. Are my quiet (prayer) times quality times to pour out my heart to God and then listen to His inner promptings?
- #9. Is there any human relationship that is interfering with my obedience to God?
- #10. Does pride keep me from deep repentance when God turns the light on within my soul?
- #11. Is there any agenda that is more important than God's agenda in my life?
- #12. Am I broken hearted over the eternal damnation that awaits unsaved people?
- #13. Am I transparent and honest in all my business (and financial) dealings with people?
- #14. Do the things in my house (books, videos, posters, T.V. etc.) represent the heart of Jesus?
- #15. Do I allow my thoughts to wander into forbidden territory through viewing garbage on the television?

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- ◆ “The greatest of all faults is to be conscious of none” (Thomas Carlyle)
 - ◆ “Before God can deliver us we must undeceive ourselves” (Ambrose)
 - ◆ “He who does not overcome small faults, shall fall little by little into greater ones” (Thomas A Kempis)

“Make every effort to be found **spotless** and **blameless** before God” (II Peter 3:14)
“The Lord is a shield to those whose walk is **blameless**” (Proverbs 2:7)
“May your spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Ephesians 1:4)

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