"Fear of Isaac" Isaac (Part 6)

"The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever..." (Psalm 19:9)

That Man Feared the Lord

Genesis 31:42, 53 – (42) "If the God of my father, the God of Abraham and the Fear of Isaac, had not been on my side, surely now you would have sent me away empty-handed. God saw my affliction and the labor of my hands and rebuked you last night. (53) The God of Abraham and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge between us. So Jacob swore by the Fear of his father Isaac"

Foolish Fearlessness

Psalm 14:1 — "The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God.' They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good."

<u>Psalm 36:1</u> – "Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in his heart; there is no fear of God before his eyes."

<u>Proverbs 1:29-31</u> – (29) "Because they hated knowledge <u>and did not choose the fear of the LORD</u>, (30) would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, (31) therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way, and have their fill of their own devices."

What the Wise Choose to Do

<u>Job 28:28</u> – "And he said to man, '<u>Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom</u>, and to turn away from evil is understanding."

<u>Proverbs 1:7</u> – "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Matthew 10:24-31 – (24) "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. (25) It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. (26) So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. (27) What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. (28) And do not fear

those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. (29) Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. (30) But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. (31) Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows."

The Wise channel fear Upwards to God

Learning to Fear God

"And when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he shall write for himself in a book a copy of this law, approved by the Levitical priests. And it shall be with him, and he shall read in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God by keeping all the words of this law and these statutes, and doing them." (Deuteronomy 17:18-19)

Living by Godly Fear

"By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith." (Hebrews 11:7 NKJV)

Questions to Ponder:

- (1) What impacted me most from this message?
- (2) Which way is my fear typically directed? Horizontally (this world, myself, the future), or vertically (God)? (Is. 8:11-13; John 12:42-43)

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)

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