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"Starting Point"

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction." (Proverbs 1:7)

"There is no fear of God before their eyes." (Romans 3:18)

Fear Proscription

<u>Luke 12:4-7</u> – (4) "I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. (5) But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him! (6) Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. (7) Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows."

The Last Days Message

<u>Revelation 14:6-7</u> – (6) "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, (7) Saying with a loud voice, 'Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." (KJV)

Benefits of Godly Fear:

(1) Provision from God

"He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them." (Psalm 145:19)

(2) Protection from Evil

"The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death." (Proverbs 14:27)

"By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the LORD one turns away from evil." (Proverbs 16:6)

(3) Peace

"So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied." (Acts 9:31)

Ask God to help you to resist any other form of fear.

Remember,

"The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is safe." (Proverbs 29:25)

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)

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