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Digging Into God's Great Incredible Never-ending Grace

PURSUING MATURITY

WEEK 8

The Fear of the Lord

(True Wisdom)

Summary:

Isaiah 11:1-2 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: **And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;**

The prophecy concerning Jesus was that He would walk in Wisdom and Knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. These were characteristics that were to be part of the character of Christ. Unfortunately, today we rarely here about the fear of the Lord or about walking in it. We hear some or little about walking in Wisdom, but as we will see it is impossible to separate the two.

The “fear” being talked about in this study is a balance between reverence [respect] and fear [scare]. Let me explain by using the example of fire. Fire is an object that requires my respect as well as my fear. With it I can cook, heat and survive when it’s used correctly. However, if I misuse or abuse it, if I treat it haphazardly or without respect, it has the ability to burn, destroy and consume me. Therefore, when I respect it, it is my ally, but when I abuse it, it becomes my enemy. Keeping that balance in thought, see what God’s Word promises those that fear him.

WHAT DO THE FOLLOWING VERSES SAY ABOUT WISDOM?

Proverbs 4:5 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.

Proverbs 4:7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

Proverbs 16:16 How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!

LOOK UP THE NEXT VERSES. WHAT DO YOU THINK GOD TELLING US?

Psalms 111:10

Proverbs 9:10

Proverbs 1:7

Proverbs 1:29

Proverbs 3:7

Proverbs 15:33

WHAT DOES GODS WORD INSTRUCT US TO DO?

Psalms 34:11 _____

Proverbs 23:17 _____

Deuteronomy 6:2

Deuteronomy 6:13

Deuteronomy 10:12

Joshua 24:14

Deuteronomy 31:12

Deuteronomy 31:13

1 Samuel 12:24

Psalms 33:8

Deuteronomy 17:19

WHAT IS THE FEAR OF THE LORD?

Psalms 19:9

Proverbs 8:13

ACCORDING TO THESE VERSES, WHAT DOES GOD PROMISE THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD?

Deuteronomy 6:24

Psalms 115:13

Psalms 34:9

Proverbs 10:27

Proverbs 14:26

Proverbs 14:27

Proverbs 19:23

Proverbs 22:4

STILL FOR TODAY!

1 Peter 2:17

Revelation 14:7

GOD'S FORMULA FOR CHURCH GROWTH!

Acts 9:31

What do you think is missing from this formula most in today's church and why?

WHAT IS THE FINAL CONCLUSION!

Ecclesiastics 12:13

Proverbs 15:16
