

(Sermon Clip) How Do You Fear God

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Scripture: Proverbs 9:10, Psalm 51:17, Philippians 2:12, Hebrews 12:28, Psalm 2:11, Proverbs 8:13, Isaiah 66:2, Ecclesiastes 12:13, Psalm 34:9

Topics: "Fear of God", "Humility in Worship"

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Transcript

Here's what I think fearing God means today. I think fearing God means that God is, in your mind and heart, so powerful and so holy and so awesome that you would not dare to run away from Him, but only run to Him. In other words, fearing God is not another requirement.

It's the way you do covenant keeping. It's the way you receive Jesus. It's the way you come to Jesus.

You come reverently. You come humbly. You come without any presumption that you deserve anything or He owes you anything.

You come trembling, or as we saw in Psalm 51, you come with a heart that is broken and contrite. Work out your salvation with fear and trembling. Tremble, if you ever feel any inclination to leave this God.

There is only destruction away from Him. Oh, how we should fear to leave the Lord. Tremble in His presence that He would so graciously receive us, forgive all of our sins, and make an everlasting future.

So many people do not fear their carnal departures. They don't tremble.

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