



"Fear of the Lord" in the Bible

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,
And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding."

Proverbs 9:10 NASB

Please read these scriptures and answer the related questions:

- (A) Matthew 10:28 Who are we to fear? _____
- (B) Hebrews 10:31 What is terrifying? _____
- (C) Revelation 14:7 Why are they to fear God? _____
- (D) Proverbs 1:7 What is the beginning of knowledge? _____
- (E) Genesis 20:11 What frightened Abraham into telling lies about his wife? _____
- (F) 1 Kings 18:12 who had feared the Lord from his youth? _____
- (G) Job 28:28 What is wisdom? _____
- (H) Psalm 34:7 What happens to those who fear Him? _____
- (I) Proverbs 10:27 What does the fear of the Lord do? _____
- (J) Proverbs 22:4 What are the rewards of humility and fear of the Lord? _____
- (K) Isaiah 33:6 What is the treasure? _____
- (L) What besides comfort of the Holy Spirit was involved in the church's growth? _____
- (M) Haggai 2:5 says do *not* fear. Which is it; fear or don't fear?

Think & Pray _____



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- (A) Matthew 10:28 Who are we to fear?
"Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." (See also Luke 12:5)
- (B) Hebrews 10:31 What is terrifying? "To fall into the hands of the living God"
- (C) Revelation 14:7 Why are they to fear God? "Because the hour of His judgment has come."
- (D) Proverbs 1:7 What is the beginning of knowledge? The fear of the Lord
- (E) Genesis 20:11 What frightened Abraham into telling lies about his wife? The lack of fear for God
- (F) 1 Kings 18:12 who had feared the Lord from his youth?
Obadiah I don't think this is the same one as wrote the little book, but that is just an opinion.
- (G) Job 28:28 What is wisdom? Fear of the Lord
- (H) Psalm 34:7 What happens to those who fear Him? They are guarded and rescued
- (I) Proverbs 10:27 What does the fear of the Lord do? Prolongs life
- (J) Proverbs 22:4 What are the rewards of humility and fear of the Lord? Riches, honor and life
- (K) Isaiah 33:6 What is the treasure? The fear of the Lord
- (L) What besides comfort of the Holy Spirit was involved in the church's growth? The fear of the Lord
- (M) It means the same thing as Matthew 10:28 above. The only fear that makes sense is fear of Him who can facilitate a trip to Hell. Once you are sure He loves you, you have nothing to fear. Do you know He loves you?

My definition of *fear of the Lord* is "respect for His authority and power, awe or reverence for His amazing goodness, and terror of His wrath."

For further thought:

- [n] What does Ecclesiastes 12:13 mean?
- [o] 2 Kings 17:25-39 mentions "fear" ten times. What is it talking about?
- [p] Psalm 19:9 says "the fear of the Lord is clean." What does that mean?
- [q] What does 2 Corinthians 5:11 mean?
- [r] What does Hebrews 12:4-17 mean?
- [s] Are you afraid of God? Why or why not?
- [t] What does "Fear of the Lord" mean in Isaiah 11:1-10?
- [u] The phrase "fear of the Lord" or "fear of God" appears 33 times in the Bible. Some of them are discussed above. The rest are listed below. Read and discuss some of these:
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| 2 Samuel 23:3 | Proverbs 1:29 | Proverbs 16:6 |
| 2 Chronicles 19:7-9 | Proverbs 2:5 | Proverbs 19:23 |
| Nehemiah 5:15 | Proverbs 8:13 | Proverbs 23:17 |
| Job 4:6 | Proverbs 9:10 | Isaiah 11:1-3 |
| Psalm 36:1 | Proverbs 14:26-27 | Acts 9:31 |
| Psalm 111:10 | Proverbs 15:16 | Romans 3:18 |
| Psalm 128:1 | Proverbs 15:33 | 2 Corinthians 7:1 |