

THE FEAR OF THE LORD

The Place, The Person, The Principle

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Sermon Outline

Scriptures: Genesis 20:11 | Genesis 22:12 | Proverbs 1:7

I. THE PLACE

The Presence or Absence of the Fear of God

Genesis 20:11 — “Surely the fear of God is not in this place...”

Acts 9:31 — “...walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.”

Jeremiah 5:22 — “Fear ye not me? saith the LORD...”

II. THE PERSON

The Evidence of the Fear of God in an Individual's Life

Abraham — Genesis 22:12

“...now I know that thou fearest God...”

Obedience and surrender.

Joseph — Genesis 42:18

“...for I fear God.”

Integrity and accountability.

Shiphrah and Puah — Exodus 1:15–21

“But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt commanded them...” (v. 17)

Courage and obedience to God.

III. THE PRINCIPLE

Understanding the Fear of God

Proverbs 1:7 — The beginning of knowledge.

Proverbs 9:10 — The beginning of wisdom.

Proverbs 15:33 — The instruction of wisdom.

Proverbs 8:13 — To hate evil.

Proverbs 16:6 — To depart from evil.

Ecclesiastes 12:13 — To keep God's commandments.

Personal Reflection: Is the fear of God evident in the way I live, the decisions I make, and the way I respond to His Word?