

THE FEAR OF GOD

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INTRO:

The fear of the Lord is one of the most important foundational teachings in God's Word. **PR. 1:7** It's where knowledge begins. **ECCL. 12:13-14 NLT.** It's what motivates obedience. When fear is gone, sin abounds. **HEB. 12:28-29 NLT.** It makes our service to God acceptable. **1 PET 1:17 NLT,** it's to be upon us as long as we live.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

1. **PR. 16:6** It Causes one to depart from evil; to hate evil **PR. 8:13**
2. **PR. 3:7-8** It promotes healthy blood and a healthy immune system
3. **2 COR. 7:1** It perfects holiness. **PHIL. 2:12-13** It's to be the motivation behind our sanctification
4. **PR. 10:27** It prolongs life
5. **PS. 115:11** It brings God's help
6. **PS. 103:11** It releases God's mercy
7. **ACTS 9:31** It causes church growth
8. **COL. 3:22-23 NLT** It produces good workers
9. **PR. 19:23 NLT** It brings security and protection
10. **EPH: 5:21 NLT** It results in submission

WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE

PS. 34:11-14 NLT It's a controlling motive of the life in matters spiritual and moral; A wholesome dread of displeasing God. It is to govern our conduct, character, speech, behavior, every thought, word, action and motive.

CONCLUSION:

We promote Godly fear by: Praying for an increase of God's holiness; For the Spirit to do a work in every heart to bring a holy fear that leads to greater obedience; For a deeper respect for the magnitude of God's greatness and majesty; For hearts set ablaze with hunger to experience reality with God.