



Awakening the Fear of the Lord

A 14 Day Journey to the amazing benefits that come from fearing God
Messages from God, Bible Study, Prayer, and Blessing.

What does it mean to fear Me. So many people have negative concepts of this phrase and yet if you study it you see how powerful it is. Doing a quick word study in the Bible shows you that the fear of the Lord gives you all of this:

- Deliverance out of the hand of all my enemies
- Deliverance of my soul from death
- Being kept alive in famine
- His mercy
- Riches and honor and life
- Lacking no good thing
- Being My friend
- Plucking my feet out of the net
- Experiencing the steadfast love of the Lord
- Refuge for my children
- Life, resting satisfied; not being visited by harm
- Prolonged life
- Fulfilled desires
- Being saved when I cry
- Being hidden from the plots of men and stored in His shelter from the strife of tongues
- Beginning of wisdom

Are these things you want? We will talk more deeply about each one as we study them together.

Just being here makes you one of the few that wants the fullness of the abundance and the Kingdom. Stick with Me on this and you will find the freedom and all that you desire!



Day 1

2 Kings 17:39 “..you shall fear the Lord your God, and He will deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.”

Enemies can be literal or figurative these days. They can be someone who is bullying you at school or work or it can be a boss who has it in for you. It can be a competitor or a large corporation who is trying to take away your livelihood. It can be the fears within your own mind about what will happen to you if you make a mistake and take the wrong path. It can be the voices in your head telling you that you are not good enough.

Your enemies can also be a government that is opposing your own and at war with you.

Do you have enemies?

Fear Me and I will deliver Me out of the hand of all your enemies.

What does it mean to fear Me?

It simply means this, that you believe that I am more to be concerned about than the enemy that is right in front of you. It is your concern to do what I ask and tell you to do than it is to do what your enemy asks or tells you to do.

If your enemy threatens to hurt you, your natural reaction may be to be afraid of them but this is not where your fear is best placed. It is best placed in Me. If you fear Me you will do as I ask you to do. You will love Me with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30). You will love yourself and your neighbor (Mark 12:31) and you will love your enemy (Matthew 5:44). This turns your attention away from the enemy before you and turns your attention toward the supernatural truth of what is available to you.

The supernatural is much more powerful than what you see in the natural and the laws and principles that rule it seem strange without knowing Me but when you know Me you know that I am right here with you causing things to happen that would not normally happen.

Stop looking to the world to protect you.

Look to Me instead!

Believe that what I want is best for you and it is more amazing and abundant than what you can even think of on your own (Ephesians 3:20).



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Stop looking to Me, expecting Me to be stingy, withholding everything you want, and holding you back from the life you really want.

See Me as I am. Your mighty, powerful God who gives good gifts to all His children (Matthew 7:11).

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You!



Day 2

Psalm 33:18 “Behold the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love, that He may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.”

The amazing part of this is that I have my eye on all who fear Me. Imagine having the most powerful and loving dad in the world who always has his eye on you to make sure you are safe and don't make any terrible mistakes. I won't try to control you, if I wanted that I would not have given you free will, but it does mean that you have constant backup on everything that you do.

Then the bigger and more eternal aspect of this is that I will deliver your soul from death so that you can live in eternity with Me forever, which will be so much fun! Also, I will keep you alive in famine.

It is very hard for people who follow Me to accept that they receive preferential treatment. The guilt and feeling that everyone should be equal kicks in and they almost get offended with Me for giving them special treatment, but this makes no sense. If you are a teacher and you have 20 students and 5 of them really study, spend time learning, and seek your special help when they don't understand something or when they want to challenge themselves more and you have 15 students who simply do the work that is expected, which ones do you think will get a better education and have more opportunities presented to them? Is this type of “preferential treatment” available to all the students or just the 5?

It is the same with me. My children who seek Me out, who fear Me and do what I suggest when they ask for “extra assignments” simply have more opportunity to benefit from the wisdom I have to offer than those who do not. It is as simple as that. I welcome ANYONE who wants to experience this preferential treatment and it is not withheld from anyone at all but please do not fault Me for providing special treatment for My children who seek out My wisdom, guidance, and love. Receive this as a gift instead and fear Me because you know it is the best thing you can do not only for yourself but also for every single person you encounter. I love sharing My love and preferential treatment so as people see that your life goes so much better because you fear Me they will begin to consider checking Me out to see if I might be someone they want to know. Then they also get to experience more of My “preferential treatment” and they also get to be kept alive during famine.

Being kept alive in famine can mean many things. It can mean that I literally make sure you have enough food during famine or it can mean that I provide for your needs during difficult relationships or difficult times. In any case, when you fear Me, I have My eye on you and I love you deeply so I make sure you stay alive during challenging times.



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Day 3

Luke 1:50 "And His mercy is for those who fear Him from generation to generation."

What is mercy?

It means that you get to experience the fullness of My Kingdom, My love and all of the benefits even when you make mistakes. Does this sound good to you?

Do you like the idea of not being able to make a mistake that will cost you your life or your livelihood? Do you like the idea of being able to do your best in this world and not have to fear the consequences of missing something or doing something wrong?

Of course, if you do something that you know directly goes against what I want there will be consequences, just as is true when you rebelliously disobey your parents. But, there is a big difference between making a bad decision that seems to be the best decision you can think of...even if you don't have enough information to make the decision...and making a rebellious decision.

My mercy happens to cover both, of course, but usually when there is a rebellious decision there is a lot of other things going on that are underlying the surface and we have to work through those as you deal with the consequences of your choice.

But always remember this:

Romans 8:28 ESV "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."

I am such a good God that I can bring good out of everything. Even the biggest mistakes of your life...I bring good out of them.

My mercy prevails for those to love, trust, and fear Me. It is all intertwined...love, trust, and fear.

Don't be afraid of Me but do fear Me. It will bring great mercy to you in all aspects of your life and then you don't have to worry about making mistakes any longer. You get to simply live your life. That sounds really wonderful doesn't it?!

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You!



Day 4

Proverbs 22:4 “The reward for humility and the fear of the Lord is riches and honor and life.”

Do you want to be rich? Do you want to live a long life? Do you want to be honored?

Fear Me!

Do you want to be poor? Do you want to experience shame and being dishonored? Do you want to have a short life?

Then do not fear Me!

I know that sounds really simplified but it is true. Fearing Me means that you put My opinion above the opinion of others and even yourself and this puts you in a position of being able to live a life that is filled with My guidance, wisdom, and direction. It is a wonderful place to be. It lifts you above the natural world and natural consequences that you find in this world and puts you in a place of experiencing the supernatural world that is available to you at all times in this world, even right now as you read this. There are no limitations in the supernatural realm. None!

Fearing Me means that you tap into My power and might every single day and you live from a place of confidence in Me and not fear in your own limitations. It is a wonderful place to be.

Fearing Me means that you are supported in everything that I ask of you, even the difficult things like loving your enemies.

Look at the amazing examples in history of people who have loved the very people who have done great harm to them. This is not possible on their own. This is only possible because they fear Me to such a degree that I am able to work through them in miraculous ways.

Fear Me. It is a powerful way to live and it removes your need to figure everything out on your own. It is a really good way to live.

Do not be afraid of Me.

Come confidently to Me and fear Me (Hebrews 4:16)!



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Come sit on My lap in the throne room and fear Me. It is possible to do these all at the same time. Give it a try!

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You!



Day 5

Psalm 34:9-10 "Oh, fear the Lord, you His saints, for those who fear Him have no lack! The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."

Listen to the truth of this verse. Listen really carefully and fully believe it. Don't squirrel the knowledge and wisdom away or explain it away in some way. Instead believe it and base your entire life and existence upon it.

Fear Me and have no lack!

Do you have lack? It is because you do not fear Me.

Do you see others who suffer want or hunger?

Do not compare yourself to them, thinking they fear Me and follow Me when they clearly do not because they are suffering want or hunger.

This is My promise to you. When you fear Me you will seek Me and you will lack no good thing.

I will not give you everything you think you need because in some cases it is not good for you. I will not give you what is bad for you.

What is bad for you? Anything that takes My place in your life. If you are asking for a spouse to share life with and cohabit with and I know it will get in the way of you sharing life and cohabiting with Me then I will not give you a spouse because it will get in the way of the depth available for our relationship. If you want a spouse and I know that it will not get in the way of our relationship then I will give you a spouse.

Count on this verse. Stand upon it and believe it to be true. I will give you no bad thing! Everything I give you is good because it either is something that is naturally good for you or it is something you think is good but it is not and I am showing you that I am better.

Fear Me and experience no lack of anything good!

Prayer:

Lord please help me fear You!



Day 6

Psalm 25:14 “The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear Him, and He makes known to them His covenant. My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for He will pluck my feet out of the net.”

Oh My goodness! Do you want to have the best friend ever? Do you want to have the best relationship you could imagine possible? Do you want someone who is fun, serious, playful, responsible, generous, loving, caring, helps you grow and be the best person you can imagine?

Do you want to be best friends?

Fear Me!

I know that sounds strange but this verse is true. If you fear Me we are friends! If you fear Me I share with you my covenant, my laws, and all that is going on in this world so that you can take full advantage of it.

Keep your eyes ever on Me and know that I will ALWAYS come when you call. I have My eyes on you and I never see you in distress and do nothing. I am so powerful that nothing can come against you. You are not in charge of this relationship and you don't have to pray exactly perfectly in order to experience Me and all that I have for you. Instead, you are a part of Me and I have My eyes on you and you are never far from Me.

You have the best friend possible when you fear Me and have Me as your friend. I am truly the best friend you could ever imagine and even more than this.

Think about all the qualities you love in a friend.

I am all of these.

Think of all the qualities that bug you in friend.

I am none of these..unless they are good for you and that is why they bug you!

Fear Me.

I want to be best friends so take a risk and take a step and fear Me!



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How can you fear your friend? Well, it is simple. Spend time with Me before you spend time with other friends. Ask Me along wherever you go and with all your other friends and serious relationships. Invite Me into the mix no matter what you are doing. Never leave Me out, even when you think other will not like Me. Put My feelings above the feelings of others – meaning, if what I want is contrary to what other people want, then prioritize what I want because you know it is good for both you and them. This is a new way to live. Put Me first in your heart, mind, and choices and let Me handle all the consequences of choosing to live this way.

Yes, it requires putting Me above yourself in many cases. It means you will need to rely upon Me to handle things that you cannot handle and it will require Me to show you how to handle a wide variety of situations. We cannot discuss all of them here. Instead, invite Me along and I will show you along the way. This is really true, it is really possible. I want you to know that and know it clearly. I am here with you and I will never leave you nor forsake you. I am with you always even to the end of the age.

Fear Me and you will learn what all of this means!

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear you!



Day 7

Psalm 103:17 “But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him, and His righteousness to children’s children, to those who keep His covenant and remember to do His commandments. The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom rules over all.”

My steadfast love is available for anyone who fears Me. The truth is that I am love and My steadfast love cannot be stopped because that is simply who I am, however, it is possible for someone who fears Me to experience Me in a very different way because of their fear for Me.

But we haven’t really talked about what fear is yet and what it means to fear Me.

Fearing Me really means believing in Me, trusting Me, loving Me, obeying Me, believing all of My promises so powerfully that they take over all sense of “reality” that surrounds you. It means that when I promise you something you believe it over all else that might happen instead. It means that you trust Me and put Me first in your life even when you wonder what will happen. It is a fierce belief in Me, My goodness, My mercy, My power, My miracles, and everything else I show you in the Bible. It is letting go of what might happen if things go very badly and holding onto all the good that will inevitably happen when you follow Me.

It is also accepting some of the really challenging circumstances that happen in your life and knowing that I will bring good out of them, trusting Me beyond what is humanly possible.

Fearing Me is about loving Me so fiercely and completely that you live a life beyond the life you know possible here in this world. It is about believing in all that exists in heaven as a result of simply being in My presence that you bring Me more and more into the natural realm so that you experience heaven on earth before the new heaven and new earth fully arrive (Revelation 21:1).

When you fear Me you are able to receive the love I have so that you feel My steadfast love in a way that you do not if you don’t fear Me. When you fear Me you know that your life will turn out well and that you will be blessed no matter what happens and that allows you to receive My steadfast love because you don’t have any walls of protection up against Me wondering if I will come through for you or not.

When you fear Me the rest of this vers falls into place because you naturally live in a way that your children see My righteousness and so it passes on to them. When you fear Me you naturally want to keep My covenant and My commandments and when you fear Me you



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naturally understand the concept that My throne is established and I am King of the Kingdom that rules forever and ever. You do not buy into the fear of this world because your fear is completely “spent” on Me.

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You.



Day 8

Proverbs 14:26 “In the fear of the Lord one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge.”

Do you ever wish you had more confidence?

Do you ever wish you had a place of refuge where you would be safe no matter what is going on?

You do! Right now, available to you at any moment and at any time.

Fear me right now at this moment. Know that I am real, that I love you fiercely and completely and I will take care of every aspect of your life and know that there is no one else in the world who cares more about your life than I do. Fear Me right now and know that I will fight for you no matter the circumstances and I will give you so much more than you ask or imagine (Ephesians 3:20). Fear Me at this very moment as you think about the things you face today and the questions you have and know that I am a mighty and powerful God who saves.

Throw away all of the questions you have that lessen who I am or make you wonder if I will come through for you. Throw away all the doubts and all of the stories you have heard of other people who have followed Me and had terrible things happen to them. Hold on to the truth of the stories of victory.

Know that many of the terrible things that happen come from disobedience to My directions. Know that many of the awful stories you hear come from sinning against Me or heading in a direction I have said not to go. I am constantly speaking to you and sharing with you which way to go (Isaiah 30:21). There are so many times that I get blamed for terrible things when I was literally shouting to the person about to do something that they should not do what they were about to do. They were not listening.

Fearing Me means that you listen to Me and do what I ask of you quickly and immediately when I say it with urgency. Fearing Me means that you believe you can hear Me and you believe that I still have prophets in this world that you should go seek out so that you can hear My words clearly if you are not able to hear them on your own. Fearing Me means that you spend your money and time seeking Me rather than seeking all the things of this world. Fearing Me means that when you need healing you come to Me first and then I give you direction on where to go from there. Fearing Me means that you let go of the way that you are expected to live in this world and you live the way I tell you to live.



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I guarantee it is a much better way to live.

When you hear My voice on a daily basis and follow Me in everything you do your confidence increases and you truly believe that I will do what I say I will do. When the attacks from the enemy come you will fear Me over them and you will believe Me over them and you will find confidence and refuge in Me.

Yes, it requires concerted effort and I know that some days go better than others but the fear of Me means that even when things do not seem good you turn FIRST to Me and seek direction and guidance and then you go from there. When you feel upset or worried or scared you turn to Me first. When you sense that something is not the way it should be you stop and turn to Me and ask Me for help. When I ask you to do something you turn first to Me and ask Me to help you do the very thing I am asking you to do because you know that our friendship is more important to Me than anything you could ever accomplish or do. When you fear Me, when things go differently than you expect you turn to Me first and ask what is going on. When you fear Me you sit in the uncomfortableness of the world being a sinful place where things do not go the way there are intended to go because people's free will supersedes My commandments due to a lack of obedience and then I need to come clean up the messes that are created. When you fear Me you expect Me to clean up the messes no matter what. When you fear Me you expect the best rather than the worst but most of all when you fear Me you love Me with all your heart, soul, mind and strength and when you do this the world becomes a very different place. Bad things still happen but you come through them more quickly, are more resilient, and they do not impact you the way they used to. You find life, eternal and abundant life where there wasn't life before.

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You.



Day 9

Proverbs 19:23 “The fear of the Lord leads to life, and whoever has it rests satisfied; he will not be visited by harm.”

Imagine living life every single day knowing that you will not be visited by harm. Imagine living life every single day in life rather than death. Imagine living every single day resting satisfied.

When you are not experiencing this, it means that something else is getting in the way of you fearing Me. It means that you believe someone else has some power over you that will supersede My power over you. It means that you are believing that My love is not more powerful than whatever you face. It means you are listening to what is expected of you from other people instead of Me.

When you experience fear of Me you are believing that I am more powerful than even the person that is right before you threatening you. It means that, even if someone is holding a gun to your head you are believing that I am more powerful than they are and you are at rest because you know that I fiercely love you and will use My power for your benefit. Stop believing that all of My power is weak. Stop believing that being a martyr is the only way to really show the Kingdom of God. Stop believing that the terrible and hard things that happen to people are what I wanted. Fear Me and listen to Me. I am telling people all day long things to do or not do and they often push through and do not listen. There are great tragedies in the world. Children lose their parents, wives their husbands and not because it was My desire, but because they did not listen to Me and fear Me.

I have given countless warnings to people and they have been ignored.

But then I bring good from the situation and so people assume it was My will in the first place. But the tragedies that happen are not what I wanted. I wanted something much better, much longer lasting, much better, but My people did not fear Me and listen to me.

Do not explain away the people I send to share advice and truth with you. Yes, be discerning about what they say but do not discount them. This is very important particularly in today's world where danger is all around you.

Don't fear the danger, fear Me and rest in the truth that I have you in My arms at all moments. This is where you will experience life and live abundant (John 10:10). This is where you will experience Me as your Savior and protector. This is where you will experience the fullness of joy that I tell you exists when you are at My right hand.



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If you are experiencing something other than life abundant look at the lies you are believing and who you think is more powerful than I am and turn your face to Me instead, ask Me to forgive you and return your fear to Me instead of them.

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You.



Day10

Proverbs 10:27 “The fear of the Lord prolongs life”

Do you want to experience a long and healthy life? I know you don't want a long life if it will be brutal and difficult and full of difficulty but I also know that, in general, you want long life.

Anything that gets in the way of long life can be handled by fearing Me. Health issues, accident avoidance, untimely death, all these things.

When you fear Me I do not guarantee nothing will ever happen to you that you don't like but I do promise you that I will be there and take care of it. There are plenty of times when things happen and you have to decide whether you are going to fear Me or the other things.

For example, when you get a medical report that is potentially negative, you have the choice to receive that report as truth or receive My promise as truth.

When you are sitting next to someone in a coffee shop who is coughing and sneezing you have a choice to say, as most people do, “I know I am going to get whatever they have” or you have a choice to say that I am more powerful than any disease or cough or sneeze and I have no desire for you to experience that in your life.

If you are feeling depressed because you have been believing a lie about something you have a choice to continue to believe the lie or to fear Me and believe My promises instead. When you feel anxious, depressed, wishing life was over, or anything else that is not about abundance, look at what is going on. Who are you fearing? What are you fearing? Fear Me more and receive the long life that I am offering you.

Today's message is short so that you can have some time to contemplate what is getting in the way of fearing Me so that your life can be more in line with My promises. Simply take a moment and ask Me to share anything that needs to be shifted, forgiven, or moved so that you and I can resume our friendship through My steadfast love and your fear of Me.

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You.



Day 11

Psalm 145:19 “He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him; He also hears their cry and saves them. The Lord preserves all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy.”

Listen to this verse and the power that is behind it.

I fulfill the desire of those who fear Me.

I hear your cry and save those who fear Me.

I preserve all those who fear Me – when you fear Me you love Me also.

I will destroy the wicked. I know you often wonder this because you see such wickedness in this world but it is important to know that I have a great deal of grace and mercy and patience. My desire is to turn people toward Me rather than destroy them but...if they are determined to be wicked then they will, eventually, be destroyed. This may look very different depending on the person. Many people wonder why wicked people are allowed to prosper and have great wealth but look at what is actually happening. Are they prospering or do they just have a lot of money? Are their lives abundant or are they trapped in a truly terrible life full of loneliness and focus on nothing but their money? That is one way that I destroy the wicked. I give them what they want. I allow them to worship money or fame or power and then they get to experience the emptiness of it when it is not from Me and for Me. That is both honoring their request and their free will while attempting to draw them near to Me.

Believe this to be true though. Believe this verse to be true. Believe it to be completely true. I fulfill your desires because you fear Me and I destroy those who do not fear Me and who are wicked.

What are your desires?

What do you truly desire?

I will fulfill that in you. Of course, I won't if it is not good for you but those who fear Me tend to have desires that are very much aligned with My will.

What do you desire?

Be honest with yourself. Focus yourself and all of your desires upon me for a moment and see that I will fulfill your desires. Let go of the fear that I will not give you the desires of your



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heart (Psalm 37:4). The thing that gets in the way of the desires of your heart coming to fruition is the fear that the desires of your heart will not come to fruition so be honest with yourself. Fear Me completely and know that My promises are true. I WILL give you the desires of your heart. Know this without any doubt in your heart or mind and be honest about the desires of your heart. Tell Me what they are. Tell Me the depth of them. They have been ruminating in your heart for such a long time, release them into your mind and your entire being and share them openly and honestly with Me and then know that I will give you the desires of your heart.

It is common for us to have to go through a couple of iterations in order to really get to the desires of your heart because the walls and protection around them can be significant but stick with it and keep looking and knowing the desires of your heart. As you fear Me more and as your trust in Me grows and develops you will find that it is easier and easier to even look at the your desires.

As you move toward these desires you will run into obstacles and fears. This is natural. But remember this verse. I will hear your cries and I will save you. I will preserve you.

Do not let any evidence to the contrary get in the way of fearing Me over all else, knowing that I am right and true and that I WANT you to have your desires.

Don't buy into the belief that My desire is for you to carry your cross and suffer your entire life. Yes, you will have a cross to bear and yes, you will be able to do it with Me at the center of your life and then you will discover that the cross you bear becomes your victory.

I want My children to be strong and mighty. The way you become strong and mighty is to grow your faith and this requires exercising faith when everything seems to be going against what you want.

When the bank account is very low – strengthen your faith and ask Me how I am providing for you and expect it.

When you don't get the promotion you wanted ask Me what I want you know and what I have for you that is even better than the promotion or job you deeply thought you wanted. Fear Me over the evidence that I am not going to give you all that you want.

It is common for My children to want things that are not the best thing possible in their life. I don't give you these things. I give you what is best for your life and for our relationship. I give you what is good and I never give you anything else.



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I LOVE you and My love is powerful and mighty. My love is perfect and it does not hurt. My love will not hold you back or keep you limited. My love will set you free! The truth of this will set you free (John 8:32).

Believe Me when I say that I love you and I want you to experience the desires of your heart. Trust Me so much that you receive Me no matter what you do and receive all of My promises for you. I love you dearly. Trust Me and let this fuel your days and your dreams.

Prayer:

Lord, please help me fear You.



Day 12

Wisdom of Solomon 13:10-19 NRSV “But miserable, with their hopes set on dead things, are those who give the name ‘gods’ to the works of human hands, gold and silver fashioned with skill and likenesses of animals, or a useless stone, the work of an ancient hand. A skilled woodcutter may saw down a tree easy to handle and skillfully strip off all its bark, and then with pleasing workmanship make a useful vessel that serves life’s needs, and burn the cast-off pieces of his work to prepare his food, and eat his fill. But a cast-off piece from among them, useful for nothing, a stick crooked and full of knots, he takes and carve with care in his leisure, and shapes it with skill gained idleness; he forms it in the likeness of a human being, or makes it like some worthless animal, giving it a coat of red paint and colouring its surface and covering every blemish in it with paint; then he makes a suitable niche for it, and sets it in the wall, and fastens it there with iron. He takes thought for it, so that it may not fall, because he knows that it cannot help itself, for it is only an image and has need of help. When he prays about possessions and his marriage and children, he is not ashamed to address a lifeless thing. For health he appeals to a thing that is weak; for life he prays to a thing that is dead; for aid he entreats a thing that is utterly inexperienced; for a prosperous journey, a thing that cannot take a step; for money-making and work and success with his hands he asks strength of a thing whose hands have no strength.”

Some believe the book Wisdom of Solomon to be scripture and others do not but for this discussion let us simply look at the content of this verse and hear what I have to say about it, regardless of whether you believe it was written by My hand or not.

When you read this passage, read it carefully. What do you see?

You see that gods are made from the discard of productive things in this person’s life.

Do you see Me this way?

Do you see Me as a god that needs to be taken care of?

Do you see Me as a god that has blemishes that need to be covered over by paint. Do you explain away the parts of Me that you do not like...the verses that bother you? Do you receive the parts of the Bible that make sense to you but cover over or try to discard or paint over the parts that do not?

Do you find a suitable niche for Me in your life and fasten Me there to make sure I am safe and do not fall down or go beyond My “walls” in your life?



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When you pray to Me for health, possessions, marriage and children, your livelihood do you believe I have the strength to do anything about your prayers?

Do you believe that I still heal?

Do you believe I still raise people from the dead?

Do you believe I still run demons away when you ask Me to?

Do you believe that I have asked you to do all of these things (Matthew 10:8)?

Do you believe that I expect you to do these things? Where does the power come from?

I don't want to be harsh with you and yet, at the same time, I want you to really look at who I am to you. Am I a concept, an idea, a god to serve almost as a silly superstition that brings luck? Am I a god that you have carved out of the ideas in your head and I sit in a place in your house or on your shelf so that I can be there when you need Me? Do you believe I have power? Do you believe I speak? Do you believe I have knowledge and wisdom that is beneficial to your life and world? Do you believe that My ways are so much higher and more powerful than yours that you are willing to put aside your beliefs and take up Mine?

Am I a worthless and powerless idol to you that you must serve and provide for and boost My ego through your worship?

Be honest with yourself. This is an essential part of the fear of the Lord and the power that I have available to you.

If you believe Me to be a god who you need to serve, who is incapable of doing anything on My own, who needs you in order to accomplish My Will on earth I want you to look very carefully at our relationship and I want you to adjust it so that you can experience who I truly am and what I truly promise to you. If you believe that you need to create a niche for Me in your wall and fasten Me there by iron so that I will not fall down....meaning, if you believe that you have to go to church each week, read the Bible a certain amount each week, pray a certain amount each week, go through the motions of religion each week...this is an indicator that you are in charge of our relationship and you do not see Me as powerful. You see Me as weak and an obligation.

I am not weak and I am not an obligation. I do not need anything from you. I do not say this to hurt you, I say it so that you can see that I am a powerful God who can do anything. I do the impossible (Jeremiah 32:27).



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Read this carefully:

Acts 17:24-29 “The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, for ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we are indeed his offspring.’ Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man.”

Do you see what is here?

I don’t need the buildings and churches that you have built to house and glorify Me. I do not need you to serve Me as though I need anything. I made you. Have you gotten it mixed up in your head that you made Me? Have you gotten it mixed up in your head that I became real the moment you believed in Me?

Again, I do not say this to judge or hurt you, but I want you to experience the true relationship and power available to you and so I don’t want you to miss anything. Be honest with yourself.

If you continue in Acts 17 you will see that you are My offspring and that you ought not think of Me as gold or silver or stone. If you believe Me to be gold, silver, or stone...if you believe Me to be a piece of discarded wood formed into an image and painted over then what do you become? You become the offspring of a powerless idol god who cannot do anything that is promised to you in the Bible. Then your lack of faith causes Me to not be able to do many great things IN YOUR LIFE (Mark 6:5) and then you begin to confirm that I am not powerful or capable of helping you in any way. It becomes a downward spiral and eventually I am so weak and powerless in your mind that you do not see the value in seeking Me or feeling your way toward Me and finding Me as I say in Acts 17.

This is why fearing Me is so incredibly important. When you fear Me you realize that you will never fully understand Me. When you fear Me you recognize that I am so glorious and mighty and full of power that I want to share with you and our relationship moves from a place where you are in charge of making sense of Me and manipulating Me through worship and prayer into a place where I am in charge and I am displaying My power and might through you and to you so that you cannot help but worship and pray to Me.



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Fear Me by knowing Me as I truly am. I am not an idol created by human hands or human minds. I am not a conceptual god that you can decide what to believe and what not to believe, picking and choosing what you want.

I am God.

I Am.

You cannot change Me.

Revelation 22:13 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

I was here before you. I will be here after you (which makes no sense because you are here for all eternity so this is also part of the mystery. How can I be the end when there is no end? How can there be a last when there is no last of anything? These are mysteries you can only understand if I reveal them to you.

Here is the takeaway from today's entry.

I am not an idol to be taken care of, worshipped out of superstition, or glorified out of obligation. I am God almighty, maker of heaven and earth. Fear Me by believing in Me as I truly am and not as you desire Me to be. Fear Me by believing that I am here in your life because I created you and I love you. Fear Me by living your life as though you have a powerful father who wants nothing more than to see you thrive and succeed while being close to Him...bringing His hopes and desires into the world you live in. Fear Me by expecting works of power to happen in your life. Do not be surprised when powerful things happen in your life BECAUSE I DO THEM. I do not need you to do powerful things for Me. I do them for you so that faith in Me can increase in you and in the people around you.

Do not follow a worthless and powerless God.

Follow Me.

Day 13

Psalms 31:19-20 "Oh, how abundant is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you and worked for those who take refuge in you in the sight of the children of mankind! In the cover of your presence you hide them from the plots of men; you store them in your shelter from the strife of tongues."



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Every day My people ask Me for abundance in their lives in many different forms. It can be through wealth, a restored relationship, healing, money to do things they really want to do. Look at what is promised in this verse. Really look at it!

- My abundant goodness in your life.
- You are hidden from the plots of men.
- You are covered in My presence
- You are stored in My shelter and escape all the negative words spoken by the tongues of others.

What is your part? To fear Me and take refuge in me in front of the children of mankind.

What does this mean?

It means that when everything seems to be falling apart, you come to Me yourself and in front of your friends and family and show them that you trust Me more than you trust the situation at hand. It means that when something terrible happens you come first to Me and ask Me what to do and how to view the situation. It means that when you are afraid for your life you behave like King Hezekiah and other kings in the Bible and you lay everything out before Me and put it in My hands KNOWING that I will take care of it.

I am not a last ditch effort.

I am not one attempt in many attempts you will make to achieve what I have asked you to achieve. I am the way the truth and the life (John 14:6). I am the first to come to. I am the first to rely upon. I am the one that will make a difference. I am the one that will stand up for you and fight for you. I am the one. I don't share My position with others but I am willing to take the backseat so that you can experience the powerlessness of other ideas, concepts or gods.

But do this...fear Me and see what happens in your life.

Fear Me above the fear you have in this world. I know there is a lot going on right now. History is being written right now and it is a significant moment. Do not be afraid of history. Do not be afraid of what is to come. It is not as powerful as I am. Instead, fear Me and know that I will write history in the favor of those who fear Me. Take Psalm 91 seriously and know that I mean every single word I say in it. Stop believing a weak gospel and start believing in the power of God that is here with you, speaking to you right now. Believe in Me and fear Me and see your life change!

I brought you to this study for this reason.



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Let go of all other fears and put all your fear into Me. It will be the best investment you have ever made.



Day14

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.” Proverbs 9:10

Now that you know many of the benefits of fearing Me let’s go a bit deeper into this concept.

Do you still wonder if fearing Me is a good idea?

Do you still have any doubts as to what fearing Me means or looks like?

Bring these to Me and let’s work them out because we don’t want anything to get in the way of you being able to fear Me because it is such a powerful way to live and it leads to where you want to go.

Take a moment, close your eyes, and ask Me a simple question...”Lord, is there something or someone that is getting in the way of my fearing You the way You desire?”

Whether you received a direct word from Me, a picture, a thought, a song, or something else believe it was from Me and not from your own thoughts and take this seriously. Ponder what I am telling you. Fear Me in this moment and believe that I shared something important with you.

Take another moment, close your eyes again and thank Me for revealing what is in the way of you fearing Me and then ask Me to reveal more or go deeper into the revelation. “Lord, thank You for revealing what you have already. What more do you want to share with Me about this? What more do you want me to know.”

Take what I have shared with you seriously even if you don’t fully understand it yet. Know that I will deepen your knowledge and understanding of it. Seek out wise counsel and find out more as you pray into this time because I just revealed more of who you are in My kingdom and in My family.

Prayer:

Lord, thank you for this journey. I know it is only the beginning but I am so grateful for all you have taught and show me. Please continue to help me see how to better fear You in my day to day life. Lord, please help me fear You. Amen”

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