

The Fear of God Part 8 More about the Fear of God

“12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,” (Deuteronomy 10:12 KJV)

The fear of God is important to help us to stand against the work of Devil that he is doing against us. Job is a good example of a person who fears God, ***“1 There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil. 2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters. 3 His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the men of the east. 6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. 7 And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. 8 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? 9 Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? 10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. 11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face. 12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD. 13 And there was a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house: 14 And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them: 15 And the Sabeans fell upon them, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 16 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 17 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 18 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house: 19 And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee. 20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, 21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD. 22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.” (Job 1:1-3, 6-22)*** ***“1 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD. 2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. 3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like***

him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy him without cause. 4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. 5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face. 6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life. 7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown. 8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes. 9 Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die. 10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips. 11 Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment together to come to mourn with him and to comfort him. 12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven. 13 So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that his grief was very great.” (Job 2:1-13) The devil attacked Job. God allowed him to do such. He lost all he had from material things and children and he even lost his health but he kept his integrity and continued to fear God and serve Him. The devil said to God that Job was serving Him because he was blessed by God. But when God allowed the devil to attack him and lost his material things, Job continued to be faithful to God. The devil also told to God that if job his health will be affected he will curse God, and so God allowed the devil to attack his health but Job continued to fear and serve God. Even his wife attacked him to shake his commitment towards God, even later on his friends tried to shake him but he refused to give in to them and continued to fear God and serve Him till the end; until God restored Him. Job was not aware that what he was passing through was an attack of the devil and he continued to fear God and that fear of God protected him and sustained Him until the time God blessed him again as we read here: ***“10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. 11 Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold. 12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.” (Job 42:10-12)*** * In the same way, your integrity in fearing God and keeping your commitment towards Him even in the times of struggles when the devil is attacking you is the secure way for you to come out and recovered and got restored from those evil attacks of the devil and received back the blessings of God as had happened to Job. * Even you are under the attack of the devil, continue to serve God and keep your commitment and your ministry unto Him; trust Him fully, that at the end He will deliver you from all such attacks and receive the victory in Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord.

Also to fear God means that you do not take advantage of others: Various examples the Word of God teaches us as we can read and meditate on the following scriptures:

A. ***“14 Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I am the LORD.” (Leviticus 19:14 KJV)*** * Those who cannot hear they will not hear you when you curse them. If you speak at the back of the people that mean that you do not fear God. You speak at the back of the people because they will not hear you. *Also when you put a stumbling block in front of the blind they will not see it and they will fall into trouble. when you cheat the people and hide things or informations from their minds and eyes and your intention to cheat them then that means you do not fear God. Those who do such things are cheating and they do not fear God.

B. ***“17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I am the LORD your God.” (Leviticus 25:17 KJV)*** ***“43 Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy God.” (Leviticus 25:43 KJV)*** If you are in a position and authority do not use your position to force people to do things against the Word of God or against God's will.

C. ***“35 And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt relieve him: yea, though he be a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee. 36 Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that thy brother may live with thee.” (Leviticus 25:35-36 KJV)*** ***“9 Also I said, It is not good that ye do: ought ye not to walk in the fear of our God because of the reproach of the heathen our enemies? 10 I likewise, and my brethren, and my servants, might exact of them money and corn: I pray you, let us leave off this usury. 11 Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliveyards, and their houses, also the hundredth part of the money, and of the corn, the wine, and the oil, that ye exact of them.” (Nehemiah 5:9-11 KJV)*** If people asked you help as to lend them money, especially if they are believers, you shall not take interest. Those who take interest they do not fear God.

Do not be enticed with others who do evil because they do not fear God; but you fear God because it will be well with you as we read here: ***“12 Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:” (Ecclesiastes 8:12 KJV)*** You also need to repent early and not to be stubborn and delay your acts of obedience: ***“1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.” (2 Corinthians 7:1 KJV)*** You are responsible to cleanse yourself from all sins and filthiness.

“32 Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I am the LORD.” (Leviticus 19:32 KJV) To rise up in the presence of the elders and those that the old age made their hair hoary, the meaning of it, is to fear God by obeying the teaching that you receive from those who are elder than you in the Lord. Those elderly had taught generations and needed to be respected and honored by obeying the teaching of the Lord that they give. **God called you to honor those elders who taught you the Word of God and instructed you with the commands of God.** Now we can see the opposite, the children sit and the parents and the elders stand. That is very wrong and children should not behave in such and they should not order the parents, but they needed to stand in the presence of the elders and their parents and listen and obey their instructions. * Parents and elders work it out that such evil should not take place. * Parents and elders, Listen, do not give in to such. * Children fear God and respect your parents who taught you the Word of God and discipline you according to His will and behave well with them.

Parents as they teach and instruct the children with God's Word, the law of God required from their children the following: As we teach and admonish our children with the Word of God they are required with the following: Listen all you children who are receiving instructions from God's Word by your parents you are required by God to do the following: ***“3 Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths: I am the LORD your God.” (Leviticus 19:3 KJV)*** * Parents who teach God's Word, not only needed to be respected but to be feared because they are giving the Word of God to their children. * God also required keeping the day of the Sabbath, the day in which we are gathered to worship God and hear His Word from God's teachers in the church.

Fearing God will come true when we listen and submit to one another according to the teaching of the Word of God, ***“21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.” (Ephesians 5:21 KJV)*** It does not matter who is the person who say it as long as is the Word of God.

* To offer our children to God and to discipline them in the ways of God will show that we fear God. * Parents should agree with one another to discipline their children. There must be rules and restrictions in the atmosphere of the house and placed on the children that they should not cross borders or certain limits agreed upon and previously explained to the children.

When God asked Abraham to offer his one and only son Isaac to Him as you can read, ***“1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. 2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. 3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. 4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. 5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. 7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? 8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. 9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. 10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.” (Genesis 22:1-10)*** Abraham obeyed and did not withhold his son Isaac from God, up to the point that he was willing to bind his son on the wood in order to slay him. Abraham when did not withhold his own son from God, the Lord knew that Abraham fear God, ***“11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. 12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.” (Genesis 22:11-12 KJV)*** Parents should fear God by showing that they obey God's command more than their love to their children. Many parents they love their children more than God and His Word. They are willing to break and disobey the Word of God but are

not willing to discipline their children and impart to them the fear of God. Even they disobey God's command and God's will in order not to discipline or correct or bend their children. Many children are spoiled and even they become wicked, lazy, glutton, immoral and drunkard, because their parents did not obey God's Word who teaches to discipline children. **Also put in your mind when you break the Word of God because you are not willing to discipline your son or your daughter then be sure that God will not bless your child and your disobedience in such a regard will not impart the prosperity and the success that God promised to those who meditate and obey His Word day and night as we read here, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." (Joshua 1:8 KJV)**

Those who fear God they will give audience and respond to the call of God to serve Him. That was how Apostle Paul called the Israelites; those among them who fear God to give their ear to the calling of God in their lives as we read here, **"16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience." (Acts 13:16 KJV)** Your respond to the call of God and your willingness to put your hands in the ministry of God is the indication that you fear God and value this call on you to serve Him. God needs workers and the church needs workers to serve God. For there are much work needed to be done.

In the book of Haggai we read, **"12 Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people did fear before the LORD." (Haggai 1:12 KJV)** God called His people to serve Him. His message to them through the prophet Haggai was for them to take an active part in rebuilding the temple of God. **Those who fear God they will respond to take an active part in the ministry, and for this they will be rewarded. They know that they are not doing it for man but they are doing it to God, and so they take it seriously.**

As you fear God and start to serve Him, God will reward you as we can read in this passage of the Scripture: **"16 Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name. 17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him. 18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not." (Malachi 3:16-18 KJV)** According to God's Word here as we fear God and serve Him we will receive the following:

- We will be God's precious treasured possession.
- We will be spared in troubles and God would spare us as His own children who serve Him.
- We will be differentiated with the blessings of God from the wicked and those who do not serve God.

My dear and beloved: "6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, 7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to

him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." (Revelation 14:6-7 KJV) The message of the gospel is to fear God; and I pray that as you listen, read and meditate on the message, the Word of God will build in you the fear of God that will help you to obey Him, doing His will and continue to serve Him.

Let us pray.

My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus, who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for all what I learned today new in your Word. Lord thank you for opening my mind and my eyes about new things in your Word and about your ways that you want me to implement in my life and be diligent to fear you in all aspects that we had studied in this message.

Confess and renounce all your sins. Renounce the sin of not heeding to the Word of God and the lack of service, lack of doing ministry and lack of commitment unto God. Renounce the sin of disrespect to the elders and to your parents who taught you the Word of God. Renounce the sin of not disciplining your own children, and you love them more than you love God and His Word. Renounce the sin of speaking at the back of the people and taking advantage of those who are weak. Renounce the sin of usury and your non willingness to help the poor and the needy. Renounce the sin of your non willingness to serve God while you are passing through trials. Lord I confess and renounce the following sins _____.

Lord I commit myself to live according to your call. Lord I commit myself to respond to the Word of God and start to serve you and do the ministry. Lord build in me the fear of yours that will make me obedient and fruitful in my life and service unto you. Lord reminds me of these Scripture and helps me in applying them. I need your love, support and grace in doing that. Lord help me and guide me how to discipline my children.

Lord help me and guide me to come out of the following trials and the hardship that the devil had placed in my life _____.

Lord thank you for my brethren and sisters who repented and committed their lives to live for you. Lord help them in their lives and teach them and guide them to manage their families and discipline their children. Lord protect them and deliver them from the trials and the work of the devil that working against them. Devil we rebuke you in the name of Jesus, go away with all the demons with you in the name of Jesus, Amen. Lord provide for them and help them in their lives and take them smoothly out of the trials and the troubles that they had placed in. Lord we continue to pray that you will impart repentance to the rest and build in their hearts the fear of you so they will come back to you and serve you.

Lord we pray that you will continue to impart the fear of you in our lives as your church, that we will implement all what we are learning from your Word. Lord sustain us as we are teaching and disciplining all our children and disciples. Lord refill us with the Holy Spirit and give us the Spiritual gifts that we need to go and serve you and do the work of yours. Lord lead us to evangelize and to reach new people with the gospel of Jesus. Lord help us to make new disciples and train new workers to plant new Bible studies and congregations for the church. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, 'Multiplication in peace with implementing the Whole will

of God'. Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us, and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all in Jesus name, Amen.

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