

SOP: The Fear of the Lord

While **consecration** is a posture of humility and devotion, the **fear of the Lord** is a condition of the heart that allows a person to be always living and walking by the Spirit.

Definition: To live and be in reverent awe of God's holiness; to give Him complete reverence and honor as the God of glory, majesty, purity and power.

- It is a powerful spiritual truth and posture that sets us free from pleasing the world—satisfying all of its' whims and the pressure of the culture, and is an accurate response to His Presence and power.
- It is to desire to live in harmony with His righteous standards and honor Him in all that you say and do.
- It is to walk in the Presence of a Holy, Just, Almighty God—with no personal reputation or means to approach but for the sacrifice of the Cross.
- It is knowing Who God is—and treating Him appropriately.
- It is to say every word, think every thought, and take every action in light of being the temple—the habitation of the Living God.

Introduced to the Presence of a Holy God

Exodus 20:18-20

Deut 31:12-13 (Deut 4:10, 6:24, 8:6)

Prov 10:27

Isaiah 50:10

Beginning of Wisdom/Knowledge

Proverbs 1:7—The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge

Proverbs 15:33—The fear of the Lord is the instruction for wisdom...

Proverbs 3:5-8 **Job 28:12,20**

Proverbs 1:29 **Psalms 111:10**

Defines Relationship with evil

Proverbs 16:6—By lovingkindness and truth iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the Lord one keeps away from evil.

Proverbs 8:13 **Psalms 34:11-14**

Access in Worship

II Kings 17:25-33

Psalms 22:22-23

Jonah 1:16

Psalms 130:3-4

Intimacy/Relationship

Psalms 31:19—How great is Thy goodness, which Thou hast stored up for those who fear Thee, which Thou hast wrought for those who take refuge in Thee.....

Psalms 25:14—The secret of the Lord is for those who fear Him...

Leviticus 19:2 **Psalms 119:63**

Malachi 2:5 **Deuteronomy 10:12-17**

Malachi 3:16-17

Describes Work of the Holy Spirit

Isaiah 11:2-3

Proverbs 23:17

