# FEAR GOD

#### FEAR

[17] And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

### OBEY

- [14] As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:
- [22] Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

### LOVE

[8] Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

### BUT HOW CAN FEAR AND LOVE CO-EXIST? MAT 10:26-31

- [28] And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.
- v29 and 30 assure us that God knows every little detail and has everything under control
- [31] Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

### BUT HOW CAN FEAR AND FRIENDSHIP CO-EXIST?

- Jas 2:23 speaks of Abraham as a friend of God.
- > A "FRIEND" illustration
- Cessna 152
- > A Beautiful Relationship God and man
  - There is no right for us to be jealous when God has other sons. God has every right to be jealous when we have other gods.

### OBEYING GODS BREAKABLE LAWS = HONORING HIM MAL 1:6-7

[6] A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name? [7] Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible.

## OBEYING GODS BREAKABLE LAWS = HONORING HIM JER 35:1-19 RECHABITES

[19] Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.

## NAYSAYERS SAY ... LOVE ...

- Ps 8 [6] Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:
- I Cor 15 [27] For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.

## NAYSAYERS SAY ... LOVE ...

I Jn 4 [18] There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.







## NAYSAYERS SAY ...

The Greek words distinguish between fear of God and other fear. **They don't.** 

Most KJV NT passages with the word "fear" render the word "fear" from two Greek words:

⊳ g5399 and g5401

Both Greek words are used to refer to fearing God and fearing man.

## NAYSAYERS SAY ...



- Acts 27 [29] Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.
- Mt 10 [28] ~ rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

## NAYSAYERS SAY ...

### ⊳g5401

- In 7 [13] Howbeit no man spake openly of him for fear of the Jews.
- Acts 9 [31] Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.



GODLY FEAR IS A KEY, A CONDITION, A PREREQUISITE TO RECEIVING VERY IMPORTANT THINGS





#### Wisdom

#### Ps 111 [10] The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.

Knowledge

- Pr 1 [7] The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.
- Pr 2 [5] Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.



#### Wants

Ps 145 [19] He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.





#### Needs

#### Ps 34 [9] O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.



Holiness

2 Cor 7 [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.

#### Praising God

Ps 22 [23] Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.



#### His Covenant

#### Ps 25 [14] The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.

#### Mercy

- Ps 103 [11] For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.
- Lk 1 [50] And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.

### Salvation

- Ps 34 [7] The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.
- Ps 85 [9] Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.
- Phil 2 [12] Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

#### Submitting to one another

#### Eph 5 [21] Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.









## SCREAMIN - CHRIST

Isa 11 [2] And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

## SCREAMIN - FOREVER

- Ps 19 [9] The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- Deut 14 [23] And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to **fear** the LORD thy God **always**.

SCREAMIN –
 FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS
 Deut 5 [29] O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

## SCREAMIN – FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS > Deut 6 [2], Deut 8 [6], Deut 10 [12], Deut 13 [4], Deut 17 [19], Deut 28 [58], Josh 24 [14], 1 Sam 12 [14], 1 Sam 12 [24] ...

Fearing God is tied to keeping His commands

### SCREAMIN – REALLY REALLY

Ex 18:21, Lev 19:14, Lev 19:32, Lev 25:17, Lev 25:36, Lev 25:43, Dt 6:2, Dt 6:13, Dt 6:24, Dt 8:6, Dt 10:12, Dt 10:13, Dt 10:20, Dt 13:4, Dt 14:23, Dt 17:19, Dt 28:58, Dt 31:12, Dt 31:13, Jos 4:24, Jos 24:14, 1Sa 12:14, 1Sa 12:24, 2Sa 23:3, 2Ki 17:36, 2Ki 17:39, 2Ch 19:7, Ne 1:11, Ne 5:9, Ne 5:15, Job 1:9, Job 6:14, Ps 22:23, Ps 22:25, Ps 25:14, Ps 33:8, Ps 33:18, Ps 34:7, Ps 34:9, Ps 36:1, Ps 61:5, Ps 66:16, Ps 85:9, Ps 103:11, Ps 103:13, Ps 103:17, Ps 111:5, Ps 145:19, Ps 147:11, Pr 2:5, Ec 3:14, Ec 5:7, Ec 8:12, Ec 12:13, Isa 8:13, Isa 11:2, Isa 11:3, Je 2:19, Je 5:24, Je 26:19, Ho 3:5, Jon 1:9, Mt 10:28, Lk 1:50, Lk 12:5, Ac 13:16, Ro 3:18, 2Co 7:1, 2Co 7:15, Ep 5:21, Heb 12:28, 1Pe 2:17, 1Pe 3:15, Rev 14:7, Rev 19:5, ...

Fearing God is tied to keeping His commands

### SCREAMIN – A WHOLE BOOK, ECCLESIASTES

[13] Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.[14] For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.



## SCREAMIN – SUMMATION PASSAGES

- Deut 10 [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,
- Heb 12 [28] Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:[29] For our God is a consuming fire.

## SCREAMIN – POSITIVE EXAMPLES

- Abraham, Joseph, midwives, Moses, qualified judges ... Ex 18 [21] Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness;
- Heb 12:18-28

[21] And so terrible was the sight, that **Moses** said, I exceedingly **fear** and quake:)

[28] ~ whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly **fear**:

## SCREAMIN – POSITIVE EXAMPLES

- Job one who feared God and shunned evil. Job 1 [1]
- Nehemiah. Neh 5 [15]
- > The receptive heart.

Acts 13 [16] Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that **fear** God, give audience.

### SCREAMIN – NEGATIVE EXAMPLES

- Wicked. Ps 36 [1] The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there is no fear of God before his eyes.
- ⊳ Unjust judge. Lk 18:1-8 (∨4)
- > Unrighteous. Rom 3:10,18
- Rom 3 [18] There is **no fear** of God before their eyes



EVERY DISPENSATION OF TIME
EVERY STAGE IN A PERSON'S LIFE
EVERY LEVEL OF POSITION IN LIFE

Ps 33 [8] Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.