

# WHOM SHALL I FEAR

Psalm 27

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# Faith and Fear

- Prudence is no lack of faith (Matt. 1:20; 4:6-7).
- Faith overcomes the fear of men (Deut. 1:21, 29; 3:2, 22; Heb. 13:6).
- Faith overcomes fear of deprivation (Matt. 6:25-34; 4:2-4).
- Faith overcomes fear of death (Heb. 2:15).

# Love and Fear

- Love and confidence cast out a type of fear (1 Jn. 4:17-18).
- This is the kind of slinking fear that hides from God (Gen. 3:10).
- It is the kind of fear that mischaracterizes God (Lk. 19:21).
- It is more understandable than most fears (Matt. 17:6-7).
- What remains is the trembling fear of standing before awesome power and holiness.

# Fear and Fear

- The antidote to fear (in addition to faith and love) is more fear (Matt. 10:28).
- Fear of God competes with the fears of men (Isa. 8:12-13).
- Pride gets in the way of this balance (Isa. 51:12; Rom. 11:20).
- David lays out this connection (Psa. 34:4-9).