

## Cultivating a Healthy Fear of the Lord - Session 6

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### Review:

### Consider the \_\_\_\_\_ Beings

- **Psalm 89:5–9 (ESV)** - <sup>5</sup> Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! <sup>6</sup> For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD? Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD, <sup>7</sup> a God *greatly to be* \_\_\_\_\_ in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him? <sup>8</sup> O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O LORD, with your faithfulness all around you? <sup>9</sup> You ***rule*** the raging of the sea; when its waves rise, you still them.

### Consider the \_\_\_\_\_

- **Isaiah 11:2–3 (ESV)** - <sup>2</sup> 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 the ***fear of the LORD.*** <sup>3</sup> And his \_\_\_\_\_ shall be in ***the fear of the LORD...***
- **1 Peter 2:18–23 (ESV)** - <sup>18</sup> Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. <sup>19</sup> For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup> For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. <sup>21</sup> For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup> He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. <sup>23</sup> When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued \_\_\_\_\_ himself to him who judges justly.
- **Psalm 40:7–8 (ESV)** - <sup>7</sup> Then I said, “Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me: <sup>8</sup> I delight to do your \_\_\_\_\_, O my God; your law is within my heart.”

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- **John 10:18 (ESV)** - <sup>18</sup> No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have \_\_\_\_\_ to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”
- **John 12:49 (ESV)** - <sup>49</sup> For I have not spoken on my own authority, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a \_\_\_\_\_ —what to say and what to speak.
- **John 14:31 (ESV)** - <sup>31</sup> but I do as the Father has \_\_\_\_\_ me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.
- **Philippians 2:8 ESV** - <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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- **Nehemiah 1:11 (ESV)** - <sup>11</sup> O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant, and to the prayer of your servants who delight to \_\_\_\_\_ your name, and give success to your servant today, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man.” Now I was cupbearer to the king.
- **Nehemiah 2:1–6 ESV** - <sup>1</sup> In the month of Nisan, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, I took up the wine and gave it to the king. Now I had not been sad in his presence. <sup>2</sup> And the king said to me, “Why is your face sad, seeing you are not sick? This is nothing but sadness of the heart.” Then I was very much \_\_\_\_\_. <sup>3</sup> I said to the king, “Let the king live forever! Why should not my face be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers’ graves, lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?” <sup>4</sup> Then the king said to me, “What are you requesting?” So I prayed to the God of heaven. <sup>5</sup> And I said to the king, “If it pleases the king...”

Consider the call of the \_\_\_\_\_.

- **Philippians 2:12 (ESV)** - <sup>12</sup> Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, \_\_\_\_\_ your own salvation with \_\_\_\_\_ and trembling,
- **Psalms 2:11 (ESV)** - <sup>11</sup> Serve the LORD with \_\_\_\_\_, and rejoice with trembling.

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Consider these \_\_\_\_\_

- *To fear God is to respect him, to know that he cannot be taken for granted or **presumed** upon. To fear him is to avoid **infringing** upon his holiness because one dreads the consequences. Living in the fear of Yahweh does not result in a shattered state of psychological duress but in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's goodness. - James Hamilton*
- *The fear of the Lord means reverent \_\_\_\_\_ that leads to \_\_\_\_\_.*  
- Ed Welch

## Benefits of a Healthy Fear of the Lord

- **Proverbs 28:1** - The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are \_\_\_\_\_ as a lion.
- **Proverbs 10:27** - <sup>27</sup> The fear of the LORD \_\_\_\_\_ life, but the years of the wicked will be short.

## Discussion Questions

1. What do you think God wants you to do when you are afraid?
2. What might you practically do or tangibly call to mind when you experience fear?