



Who Do You Fear

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"The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is safe."

Proverbs 29:25

"For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ."

Galatians 1:10

Reverence: The proper sense of awe, respect and wonder that is inspired and demanded by an encounter with, or meditation upon, the character and activity of the living God.

The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth. He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses. Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the people of the world revere him. For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it

stood firm.

Psalm 33:5-9

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Psalm 33:5,8

I was very much afraid, but I said to the king, “May the king live forever!”

Nehemiah 2:3

“Why should my face not look sad when the city where my ancestors are buried lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?”

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Then I prayed to the God of heaven, and I answered the king, “If it pleases the king and if your servant has found favor in his sight, let him send me to the city in Judah where my ancestors are buried so that I can rebuild it.”

Nehemiah 2:5

Now the men and their wives raised a great outcry against their fellow Jews.

Nehemiah 5:1

When I heard their outcry and these charges, I was very angry. I pondered them in my mind and then accused the nobles and officials.

Nehemiah 5:6

So I continued, “What you are doing is not right. Shouldn’t you walk in the fear of our God to avoid the reproach of our Gentile enemies?”

Nehemiah 5:9

...But out of reverence for God, I did not act like that.

Nehemiah 5:15

Now when Sanballat heard that we were building the wall, he was angry and greatly enraged, and he jeered at the Jews.

Nehemiah 4:1

“What are those feeble Jews doing? Will they restore their wall? Will they offer sacrifices? Will they finish in a day? Can they bring the stones back to life from those heaps of rubble—burned as they are?”

Nehemiah 4:2

So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart.

Nehemiah 4:6

Therefore I stationed some of the people behind the lowest points of the wall at the exposed places, posting them by families, with their swords, spears and bows. After I looked things over, I stood up and said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, “Don’t be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your families, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes.” **Nehemiah 4:13-14**

In the land of Uz there lived a man whose name was Job. This man was blameless and upright; he feared God and shunned evil.

Job 1:1

“Does Job fear God for nothing?” Satan replied. “Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has?”

Job 1:9-10

At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship.

Job 1:20

“The attitude of sufferers is more important than the answer to their questions.”

William Dyrness

In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing.

Job 1:22

“So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So

don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

Matthew 10:26-30