

**Series:** The Fear of the Lord

**Sermon:** “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge...” Proverbs 1:7

**Primary Texts:** Psalms 8:3-4; 33:18; 34:7, 9; Ecclesiastes 12:13; Jeremiah 10:6-7a; Matthew 10:28-31; Luke 1:50; John 8:42; James 2:19; 2 Timothy 3:7

**Discussion guide:**

- What does it mean to “fear the Lord”?
- Oswald Chambers said, “The remarkable thing about God is that when you fear God, you fear nothing else, whereas if you do not fear God, you fear everything else.”
  - Why or how is this true?
- Read Matthew 10:28-31
  - What is Jesus saying here?
  - Read Psalms 8:3-4 & Psalms 33:18
    - Why is it important to believe that God loves you in order to have the fear of the Lord that scripture discusses?
- What is knowledge?
- How is knowledge different from wisdom?
- How is the fear of the Lord the “beginning of knowledge”?
- How does the fear of the Lord put all knowledge into context?
- What are some examples of truths being taken out of context by people who do not fear the Lord?
- How can observing nature help foster fear of the Lord in a person?