

Series: The Fear of the Lord

Sermon: “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom...” Proverbs 1:10

Primary Texts: 1 Samuel 12:20-25; Proverbs 2:2-5; 3:7; 9:10; 15:33; Job 28:28; Psalms 111:10; Matthew 11:19; 1 Corinthians 1:24

Discussion guide:

- Read 1 Samuel 12:20-25 -
 - Notice in verse 20 Samuel says to Israel “Do not be afraid” but in verse 24 he encourages them to fear the Lord.
 - What is the difference?
- Read Genesis 3:10 –
 - What does being afraid of the Lord cause us to do?
- Read Jeremiah 32:40; 33:9 –
 - What does the fear of the Lord that we are called to cause us to do?
- What is wisdom?
- What is the difference between wisdom and knowledge?
- How does the fear of the Lord lead to the “right kind” of wisdom?
- What is the difference between worldly wisdom and Godly wisdom?
- How does Godly wisdom lead you to a real way of living?
- How does Godly wisdom cause you to “delight” in God’s instruction? (see Psalms 119:47, Romans 7:22, and James 1:25)
- Contrast Moses’ words to God in Exodus 4:13 with what he says to God in Exodus 32:32.
 - How do you see Moses’ transformed into the image of Christ? starting to desire what God desires?
 - How is this Moses becoming more “real”?
- How is Godly wisdom proof that you are being transformed the way Paul describes it in Romans 12:2?