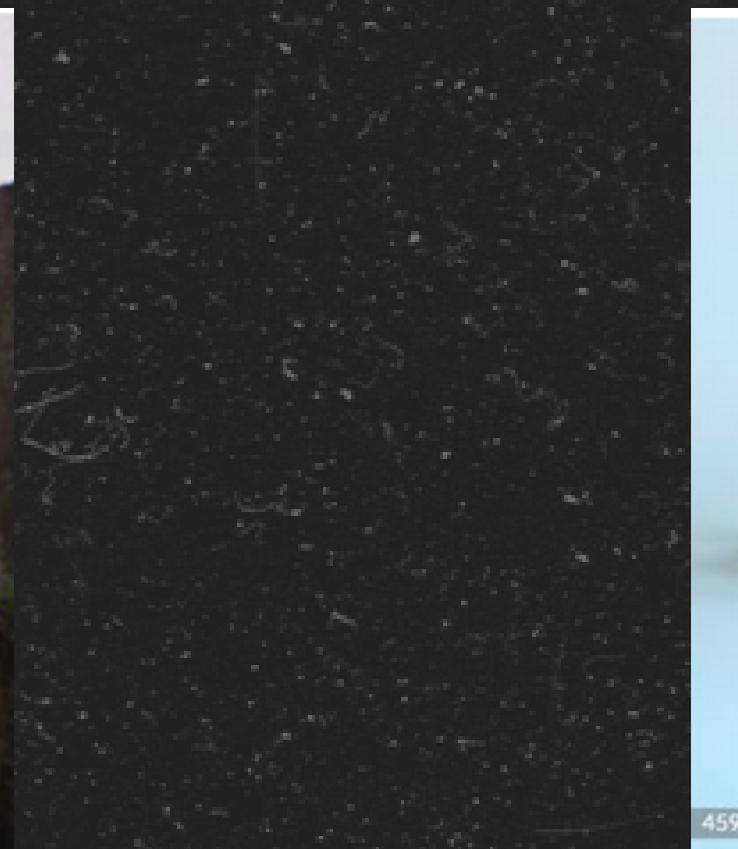


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ANCIENT WALLS



SELF-CONTROL AND SPIRITUAL PEACE



PEACE

- Peace is something we all desire. spiritually speaking, everyone wants assurance.
- Everyone wants to feel loved and accepted, and that they're not a failure.
- Everyone wants to feel whole, like they're not missing anything.

SPIRITUAL PEACE

Spiritual peace is a deep sense of tranquility and well-being that comes from a loving relationship with God, characterized by faith, trust, and a sense of wholeness, even in the midst of life's difficulties.

THE WALL OF SELF-CONTROL

“A person without self-control is like a city
with broken down walls”.

Proverbs 25:28

SELF-CONTROL

Self-control isn't about self-governance, but about humbly
submitting yourself to the will of God and living in a
manner that respects and reflects His righteousness.

FEAR OF THE LORD

1. Reverence and Awe (Proverbs 9:10)
2. Hatred of Evil (Proverbs 8:13)
3. Obedience and Submission (Deuteronomy 10:12-13)
4. Beginning of Wisdom and Knowledge (Proverbs 1:7)
5. Humility and Teachability (Proverbs 15:33)
6. Source of Security and Life (Proverbs 19:23)
7. Worship and Devotion (Psalm 2:11)

WHAT IS FEAR OF THE LORD

- Often, fear of the Lord is reduced to simply terror or reverence when, in Scripture, it carries a whole worldview of humility, wisdom, and alignment with God's will.
- Fearing the Lord is an alignment with God's will in a Christian's heart, through submission, by reverence, hatred of evil, obedience, humility, and worship.

FEARING THE LORD TO SELF-CONTROL

- From the facets of fearing the Lord, let's look at:
 - Hatred of Evil
 - Obedience and Submission
 - Humility and Teachability.

HATRED OF EVIL

“All who fear the Lord will hate evil.
Therefore, I hate pride and arrogance,
corruption and perverse speech.”

Proverbs 8:13

OBEDIENCE AND SUBMISSION

(12) "And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you? He requires only that you fear the Lord your God, and live in a way that pleases him, and love him and serve him with all your heart and soul. (13) And you must always obey the Lord's commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good."

Deuteronomy 10:12 & 13

HUMILITY AND TEACHABILITY

“Fear of the Lord teaches wisdom; humility
precedes honor.”

Proverbs 15:33

WITHOUT FEAR OF THE LORD

“Without worship, we live manipulated and manipulating lives. We move either in frightened panic or diluted lethargy as we are, in turn, alarmed by spectres or soothed by placebos.”

-Edmund Clowney

BUILD THE WALL

- Ask yourselves:
 - DO I FEAR THE LORD?
 - AM I BUILDING A WALL OF SELF-CONTROL TO PRESERVE MY SPIRITUAL PEACE?