

Engraved Gatherings

FEARING GOD

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In the Garden...

- Genesis 3:7, 10
- The _____ to God after the fall of man was fear.

FEAR is at the heart of every unbeliever's struggle against God.

- Romans 2:14-16

The Progression of Sin Fueled by FEAR

- Shame > Blame > Justification > Boasting > Blasphemy
- Genesis 3:12
- Genesis 3:13
- Genesis 4:23b-24

_____ God vs. _____ of God

- Proverbs 31:30b
- *"The fear of the Lord is that reverent respect for God that is born, not of terror, but of knowledge, love, and faith. The better we know God, the more we love and trust Him and the more we want to please Him... Terror paralyzes us but godly fear energizes us. Mingled with joy, godly fear is a great source of power." --Warren Wiersbe "Truth on Its Head: Unusual Wisdom in the Paradoxes of the Bible"*
- Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. **(Ps. 2:11)**
- You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, and fear Him, all you offspring of Israel! **(Ps. 22:23)**
- He will bless those who fear the LORD, both small and great. **(Ps. 115:13)**
- For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward those who fear Him.... As a father pities his children, so the LORD pities those who fear Him. **(Ps. 103:11, 13)**
- Blessed is the man who fears the LORD. **(Ps. 112:1)**
- Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in His ways. **(Ps. 128:1)**

- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. (**Prov. 9:10**)
- The fear of the LORD leads to life, and he who has it will abide in satisfaction; he will not be visited with evil. (**Prov. 19:23**)
- His delight is in the fear of the LORD. (**Isa. 11:3**)
- His mercy is on those who fear Him. (**Luke 1:50**)

Healthy Fear: Pursue Him with Persistence

- Live a life of worship to God!

NEXT GATHERING: March 5 at 6:30pm | [OBCC.CHURCH/WOMEN](https://obcc.church/women)

RESOURCES

- **OBCC New Testament Reading Plans** – [OBCC.CHURCH/Bible-Resources](https://obcc.church/Bible-Resources)
- **Engraved Conversations Podcast** – [OBCC.CHURCH/women](https://obcc.church/women)
- **Strong Women Podcast** - S3 18: Reading Scripture Devotionally, Intelligently, and Faithfully With Courtney Doctor
- ***The Knowledge of the Holy: The Attributes of God: Their Meaning in the Christian Life*** by AW Tozer
- ***Truth on Its Head: Unusual Wisdom in the Paradoxes of the Bible*** by Warren Wiersbe
- ***BE Series of books*** by Warren Wiersbe

FOR DISCUSSION

- Did you make any New Year's resolutions about growing in habits of faith? Which ones? How's it going so far?
- In which areas of your life, if any, do you think you may have an unhealthy fear of God?
- Which practices have helped you grow closer to God?
- What does living a life of worship look like to you?