THE FEAR OF GOD

A PATHWAY TO HIS FAVOR & BLESSINGS

What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.

Nothing twists and deforms the soul more than a low or unworthy conception of God.

A.W. Tozer

A Glorious God

- Found in creation, his presence, and in us.
- kabod = heavy or weight
- The infinite weightiness of who He is.
- The sum & substance of His character, power, & influence.
- His divine perfections, attributes, & essence.

David Platt

"We live in a church culture that has a dangerous tendency to disconnect the grace of God from the glory of God. Our hearts resonate with the idea of enjoying God's grace. We bask in sermons, conferences, and books that exalt a grace centering on us. And while the wonder of grace is worthy of our attention, if that grace is disconnected from its purpose, the sad result is a selfcentered Christianity that bypasses the heart of God."

Creation

- Ps. 19:1 The heavens are telling of the glory of God.
- Rom. 1:20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made.

Creation

- Isa. 40:26 Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens. Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls forth each of them by name.
- Light travels 186,282 miles per second.

- We don't fear God, because we don't know the God we should fear.
- Everything about God is glorious.

- Ps. 85:9 Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.
- Ps. 102:15 So the nations will fear the name of the Lord and all the kings of the earth Your glory.
- Rev. 15:4 Who will not fear You, Lord, and bring glory to Your name?

• Ps. 89:5-7 – The heavens will praise Your wonders, O Lord; Your faithfulness also in the assembly of the holy ones. For who in the skies is comparable to the Lord? Who among the sons of the mighty is like the Lord, a God greatly feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all those who are around Him?

- Ex. 33:18 Lord, show me Your glory.
- He wants a deeper revelation of God's glory.

- John 1:14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us; and we saw His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.
- Rev. 1:17 When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead.

Knowing God & beholding His glory is foundational to everything in our lives.

Either we live for the glory of God or we do not live at all.

We only exist.

Created for this High Purpose

- Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.
- John 17:4 I have brought You glory on earth by finishing the work You gave me to do.

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