

The Beginning of Wisdom

Text: **Proverbs 9:10**

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Introduction

A. We begin a study today on wisdom

2 Chron. 1:7

2 Chron. 1:10

2 Chron. 1:11-12

B. The beginning of wisdom...

Prov. 9:10

Prov. 1:7

I. What is the Fear of the Lord?

Rev. 4:8

1 John 4:18

Isa. 53:5

Heb. 10:31, KJV

Luke 12:4-5

II. How Does the Fear of the Lord Function in Our Lives?

A) General Application

Phil. 2:12-13

B) Specific Application

1. Fear of the Lord keeps us safe from the snare of man

Prov. 29:25

Psa. 27:1

2. Fear of the Lord honors His Word

Psa. 111:10

Isa. 66:1-2

1 Sam. 15

1 Sam. 15:22-24

3. Fear of the Lord is Indicative of Trust in God

Gen. 22

Gen. 22:12

Jam. 2:23

Psa. 25:14, TLB

Gen. 22:14

4. Fear of the Lord Will Keep Us from Sin

Prov. 14:27

Prov. 16:6

Prov. 23:17

2 Cor. 7:1
Prov. 15:3
Heb. 4:13
Jer. 5:22a
Gen. 39:9
Heb. 12:28

III. Other Blessings that Come from the Fear of the Lord

- 1) Positions our hearts to receive answers (**Hebrews 5:7**).
- 2) Assures us that God's great goodness abounds (**Psalm 31:19**).
- 3) Promises angelic protection (**Psalm 34:7**).
- 4) Secures God's continual attention (**Psalm 33:18**).
- 5) Supplies His provision (**Psalm 34:9**).
- 6) Contains great mercy (**Psalm 103:11**).
- 7) Provides assurance of food (**Psalm 111:5**).
- 8) Promises protection (**Psalm 115:11**).
- 9) Fulfills our desires and delivers us from harm (**Psalm 145:19**).
- 10) Provides wisdom, understanding, and time management (**Prov. 9:10-11**).
- 11) Is our confidence and protection in the face of death (**Prov. 14:26-27**).
- 12) Provides peace of mind (**Proverbs 15:16**).
- 13) Results in complete satisfaction (**Proverbs 19:23**).
- 14) Leads to riches, honor and life (**Proverbs 22:4**).
- 15) Will keep us on the path (**Jeremiah 32:40**).
- 16) Produces a secure household (**Exodus 1:21**).
- 17) Provides clarity and direction (**Psalm 25:12**).
- 18) Results in enjoyment of our labor and full, rewarding lives (**Psalm 128:1-4**, NLT).
- 19) Produces successful leadership (**Exodus 18:21; 2 Samuel 23:2**).

Conclusion: Some Final Thoughts:

A. From Solomon

Prov. 1:7
Prov. 9:10
Eccl. 12:13-14

B. From Jesus

John 8:29

Recommended reading available at Christianbook.com

The Fear of the Lord: Discover the Key to Intimately Knowing God by John Bevere