

Year of Biblical Literacy Small Group Resource

Week 11: Nov. 24th Sermon: Humbly Responding to God's Majesty With The Fear of The Lord - Kevin

Opening Prayer

Begin with a prayer, asking God to open your hearts and minds to His Word and guide your discussion.

Ice Breaker

Share about a time when you have experienced fear in your life. Key Scripture: Isaiah 6

Reflection on the Text (10-15 minutes)

1. How does Isaiah's vision of God's majesty in Isaiah 6 shape his understanding of God's power and holiness?
2. What does Deuteronomy 30:1-6 reveal about obeying God's commands and fearing the Lord?
3. What does Proverbs 9:10 mean by saying that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom?

Discussion (20-25 minutes)

1. How do you think the fear of the Lord differs from a fear of punishment or retribution? What implications does this have for our relationship with God?
2. In what ways do you see the fear of the Lord manifesting in your life, such as in your decision-making or interactions with others?
3. How can we balance the fear of the Lord with the knowledge of God's love and mercy?

Application (20-25 minutes)

1. What are some practical ways you can cultivate a deeper fear of the Lord in your daily life?
2. How can you apply the fear of the Lord to your relationships with others, such as in your family, workplace, or community?
3. What are some fears or anxieties that you can redirect towards a healthy fear of God, and how can you do so?

Reflection and Prayer (10-15 minutes)

1. What are some areas of your life where you feel like you are not measuring up to God's standards? How can you approach these areas with a heart of humility and a fear of the Lord?
2. How can you treasure the fear of the Lord as a valuable and cherished aspect of your faith?
3. What are some specific ways you can seek God's guidance and wisdom in your decision-making processes?

Next Steps

1. Reflect on your fear of the Lord each day, considering how it influences your actions and decisions.
2. Read and reflect on Proverbs 22:4, 8:13, and 16:6 to deepen your understanding of living in reverence to God.
3. Share your experiences of applying the fear of the Lord in your life in the upcoming session.