

FEAR OF THE LORD

- Fathers teach us to confide in and share our faults with those we trust. Those we do not know should not know all of our faults and shortcomings. Prov. 3:21 My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion: So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck. Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.
- Keeping the business of your home in your home is very important. This shows maturity when you are accountable to your husband/wife instead of your followers. 1Pet. 4:15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an

evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters.

 When fans follow a person based on their ability, then their affections are superficial. Being accountable to a person because they are fans only glorifies the man and does not glorify God in any way. Rom. 1:25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

FATHERLESSNESS

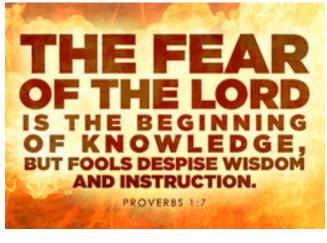
 Our personal issues are not tools for reaching others. We reach others with the Spirit of the Lord. John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

 Our personal testimony edifies us and helps us overcome. But when we have access to millions of people, discretion is required. Rev. 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Some that do not

have fathers or have trust issues will live their

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lives openly before men seeking followers because of their abilities. This makes them the mark or standard instead of God's Word. This makes people shun the Bible and seek only what they see and hear. 2Tim. 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,



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- Inclusion teaches that we should not fear the Lord but we should just love the Lord. But the Bible teaches the opposite. Prov. 1:7 The fear of the LORD is THE BEGINNING OF KNOWLEDGE: BUT fools despise wisdom and instruction.
- A healthy fear of the Lord comes from the earthly fear of a father's discipline when we fall out of his will. Prov. 10:27 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.
- The world wants to love God without following His rules and regulations. But to love God is to keep His commandments. When we disregard His commandments, we forfeit His grace that helps us keep His commands. John 15:10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

SUMMARY

Because of the traditions of some churches, people have began to confuse religion

and tradition. Tradition are the rules and regulations that religious people may require for salvation. These things are man-made ideologies that shut up the kingdom of heaven to prevent men from entering. Some of these traditions have caused many to reject the church. But religion is not tradition. Religion is good when it's Christianity because it gives us guidelines on how to live as Christians. When we throw out true religion, we make our walk with God subject to our own rules.

We must live according to the Scriptures. When we discard religion we also cause many to accept seducing doctrines that nullify the Bible and even cause people to question the validity of the Bible. When we can become our own guides, then we will question those that wrote the Bible and even believe they could have erred when they wrote it because they are flawed humans as well. We must trust in the perfection of God and His religion of Christianity in order to believe that His Word is infallible and not subject to our imperfections. And though tradition may close up heaven's doors, religion gives us an opportunity to line up with Him and live a better life. None of us are perfect, but that does not give us an occasion to lower

God's standards so we can continue in sin. Sin destroys lives and we should always try to master it and make better decisions.

Prov. 8:13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I

hate.

Prov. 9:10 The fear of the LORD is THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM: AND THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOLY IS understanding. Prov. 10:27 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days:

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Prov. 14:26 In the fear of the LORD is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.

Prov. 14:27 The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.

Prov. 15:16 Better is little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.

Prov. 15:33 The fear of the LORD is THE INSTRUCTION OF WISDOM; AND BEFORE HONOUR IS humility.

