

## Bring Someone to Jesus

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Christians often wonder, "What can I do to save the lost? I'm not a preacher or a teacher, so what can I do?" One of the most important things you can do is to bring someone to Jesus!

Andrew, one of the 12 apostles, was known for bringing people to Jesus. He is mentioned only a few times in scripture and he often takes a "back seat" to his brother Peter. However, there are three key events in Andrew's life recorded in the gospel of John and they all have to do with him bringing someone to Jesus.

In John 1:40-42, Andrew was loving as he found his brother Peter and brought him to Jesus to be a disciple. In John 6:8-9, Andrew was inquisitive as he spoke of a boy with a small lunch for Jesus to work a miracle. In John 12:20-22, Andrew was unprejudiced as he told Jesus that some Greeks wanted to see him just as the Jews wanted to see him.

We learn from these three events that Andrew was loving, inquisitive, and unprejudiced. Let us also be loving, inquisitive, and unprejudiced as we bring others to Jesus. Invite them to come to Bible class, to hear a sermon, to come to our VBS, or to have a study in your home.

Andrew busied himself bringing others to Jesus. Let us do the same. We can be an Andrew! Remember, a religion not worth sharing with others, is a religion not worth keeping ourselves. - Chris Reeves

## Up-Coming Events

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- We will have a VBS workday and card distribution starting at 9 AM on June 3.
- Plan now to attend our up-coming VBS, June 5-9, 2017.

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.  
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

# The Fear of the Lord

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God wants us to “fear” him, but what exactly is involved in fearing God? What are the fruits of godly fear? The benefits? How do we come to fear God? What are the consequences for not fearing God?

All these questions are answered in the book of Proverbs. Get out your Bible, turn to the book of Proverbs, and let’s examine what Solomon and other wise men have to say about “the fear of the Lord.”

*"The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of knowledge; but the foolish despise wisdom and instruction" (Proverbs 1:7).*

What is the fear of the Lord? “Fear” (Hebrew *yare*, or *yirah*), means “reverence.” Such reverence is more than mere dread, fright, terror, or horror. Reverence includes submission, obedience, trust, gratitude, and love toward God.

Reverence for God is the key to successful (spiritual) living. No dimension of our life is outside of God’s domain. We do not leave God in the church building on Sunday. We do not acknowledge him only on certain days of the week. Reverence is necessary so as not to allow God to become too commonplace in our life. God is not our pal, buddy, or good old boy.

*"He that walks in his uprightness fears Jehovah; But he that is perverse in his ways despises him" (Proverbs 14:2).*

What does the fear of the Lord do for

us? It causes us to live an upright and godly life. The wise man fears (reverences) God and leads an upright life because of his fear of God. The fool despises (disrespects) God and leads an evil life because of his lack of respect for God and his word.

*"The fear of Jehovah is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, And the perverse mouth, do I hate" (Proverbs 8:13).*

The man who fears God views evil the same way God views evil; he hates it; he turns away from it. A person can physically depart from evil while still loving evil in his heart. But, to hate it also comes only from divine wisdom.

*"The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased" (Proverbs 9:10-11).*

What is the benefit of fearing the Lord? The benefit is: “thy days shall be multiplied”. “Multiplied” and “increased” in importance, value and usefulness; not necessarily many in number. The fear of the Lord brings spiritual confidence, security, deliverance, life and nourishment to our lives.

*"The reward of humility and the fear of Jehovah is riches, and honor, and life" (Proverbs 22:4).*

What good qualities go with the fear of the Lord. Humility is one. A man who fears God will also be humble.

*"My son, if thou wilt receive my words, And lay up my commandments with thee; So as to in-*

*cline thine ear unto wisdom, And apply thy heart to understanding; Yea, if thou cry after discernment, And lift up thy voice for understanding; If thou seek her as silver, And search for her as for hid treasures. Then you will understand the fear of Jehovah, And find the knowledge of God" (Proverbs 2:1-5).*

How and where can the fear of the Lord be found. The fear of the Lord comes to a person only after that person has expressed his desire for God’s wisdom, has looked diligently for God’s wisdom, and has applied God’s wisdom. The fear of the Lord will be found in the person who is not absorbed in materialism, worldliness, their self, or their physical appearance.

*"For that they hated knowledge, And did not choose the fear of Jehovah" (Proverbs 1:29).*

What happens when a person chooses not to fear God? If someone does not want to fear God, but wants to follow the worldly crowd, then that person will be punished eventually. Our complete life is to be subordinate to God’s will.

May we all understand what is involved in fearing the Lord so that we may share in its eternal blessings.

*"Wherefore, receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us have grace, whereby we may offer service well-pleasing to God with reverence and awe: for our God is a consuming fire" (Hebrews 12:28-29). - Chris Reeves*