GROUP DISCUSSION

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

Where We Met (A Study of the Tabernacle) February 11, 2024 Week 5: God is Worthy of Respect from Us Leviticus 10:1-9

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In our final week of studying the tabernacle, we learned about the "fear of God." Aaron's sons lacked a proper "fear of God," and the results were deadly.

Discussion:

1. Reread what happened at the grand opening of the tabernacle. Leviticus 9:24 (NLT) Fire blazed forth from the Lord's presence and consumed the burnt offering on the altar. When the people saw this, they shouted with joy and fell face down on the ground.

The display of God's power caused the people to experience the "fear of God." How does the biblical "fear of God" differ from being afraid of God?

2. Reread Isaiah 33:6 (NLT) The fear of the Lord will be your treasure.

In what way is the "fear of God" a treasure?

3. Reread Leviticus 10:1-2 (NLT) Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu disobeyed the Lord by burning before him the wrong kind of fire, different than he had commanded. So fire blazed forth from the Lord's presence and burned them up.

Why did God kill Nadab and Abihu?

4. Reread Hebrews 12:28-29 (NIV) Worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

If a Christian friend wanted to grow in reverence for God, how would you advise them to do so?

5. Reread Exodus 20:20 (NIV) Moses said to the people, "The fear of God will keep you from sinning."

How can the "fear of God" keep us from sinning?

6. Reread Mary's response to the news that she was going to bear the Messiah. Luke 1:38 (TLB) Mary said, "I am the Lord's servant, and I am willing to do whatever he wants."

In what way is Mary's response a demonstration of the "fear of God"?

7. Unlike Mary, many Christians are selectively obedient. In what way is selective obedience evidence of a lack of the "fear of God"?

Wrapping It Up: Proverbs 14:27 says, "The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life." Pray that the Lord would grow you in the "fear of God" and bless you with the "life" that results.