

Podcast 5 Listening Guide Fear of the Lord

Pro. 1:7 - The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge, *But* fools despise wisdom and instruction.
 Prov. 1:29 - Because they hated knowledge And did not choose the fear of the LORD
 Prov. 2:5 - Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, And find the knowledge of God.
 Prov. 8:13 - The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate.
 Prov. 9:10 - The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One *is* understanding.
 Prov. 10:27 - The fear of the LORD prolongs days, But the years of the wicked will be shortened.
 Prov. 14:26 - In the fear of the LORD *there is* strong confidence, And His children will have a place of refuge.
 Prov. 14:27 - The fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life, To turn *one* away from the snares of death.
 Prov. 15:33 - The fear of the LORD *is* the instruction of wisdom, And before honor *is* humility.
 Prov. 16:6 - In mercy and truth Atonement is provided for iniquity; And by the fear of the LORD *one* departs from evil.
 Prov. 19:23 - The fear of the LORD *leads* to life, And *he who has it* will abide in satisfaction;
 Prov. 22:4 - By humility *and* the fear of the LORD *Are* riches and honor and life.
 Prov. 23:17 - Do not let your heart envy sinners, But *be zealous* for the fear of the LORD all the day;
Thesaurusm - Antonym
 Prov. 29:25 - The fear of man brings a snare, But whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.

We can have a healthy fear or an _____ fear of the Lord.

How do we distinguish between the two and hold on to a healthy fear of the Lord?

- ❖ We should have fear of the Lord, but not fear that _____ us.

Why does the history of Israel matter to us in our quest for wholeness?

- ❖ Because the Northern kingdom of Israel was so impacted by the _____ leadership of Jeroboam that throughout their next nineteen kings - _____ king from the North did evil in the sight of the Lord.

We must focus on breaking _____ of sin or rejection of God's ways in our life.

- ❖ A cycle of sin left unchecked and unrestrained in our life can do to us what it did to Israel, lead us into _____ to suffer under the rule of our enemy.

2 Kings 17:7-14 .

- God and His Word were _____ to His people. Then God sent His word by _____ the prophets.
- Israel's cycle of sin was progressive and any cycle of sin we get into will also be progressive. Why? Because sin is progressive. (James 1:15)

The Progressive Cycle of Israel's Sin & Possibly our sin as well.

1. They would not **hear** Him.

- ❖ **Desensitization** - diminished emotional responsiveness to a negative or aversive stimulus after repeated exposure to it.

2 Kings 7:15-18

2. They **rejected** God's statutes and covenant.
3. They **followed** idols and pagan nations.
4. They followed after other gods, and finally **left all** the commandments.
5. They **made, served, and worshipped** other gods and practiced excessively **depraved** evil ways.

2 Kings 17:17- *And they caused their sons and daughters to pass through the fire, practiced witchcraft and soothsaying, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the Lord, to provoke Him to anger.*

They were definitely desensitized! Even to the point that they did not even care how their sin was hurting their children!

Fill in the blanks: 1) unhealthy, 2) debilitate, 3) evil, 4) every, 5) cycles, 6) captivity, 7) accessible, 8) all, 9) hear, 10) rejected, 11) followed, 12) left all, 13) made, served, worshipped, depraved