

Psalm 34 Season 2

Why Should We Fear the Lord?



Scripture

- **Psalm 34:1-9, 11**

I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul will make its boast in the LORD; The humble will hear it and rejoice. O magnify the Lord with me And let us exalt His name together. I sought the LORD, and He answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. They looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces will never be ashamed. This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him and rescues them. O taste and see that the LORD is good. How blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him! O fear the LORD, you His saints; for to those who fear Him there is no want.

Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. Who is the man who desires life and loves length of days that he may see good? Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

Other Scriptures

- Isaiah 8:12-14
- Revelation 15:3
- Matthew 7:24-27
- Psalm 42:1; Psalm 91:1; Psalm 19:9
- Song of Songs 4:12
- James 4:8
- Galatians 6:8
- Proverbs 9:10; 13:24
- Romans 6:23
- Hebrews 2:15
- Matthew 5:22; 7:1
- James 3:4-5

Main Points

- Fear nothing but God.
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- Those that take refuge in God are truly safe.
- Make time for God in your life.
- Clinging to God and obeying Him makes Him our refuge.
- The fear of the Lord translates into guarding what we speak.
- If you want to see goodness and blessing, keep your mouth from speaking evil.
- Baruch HaShem in Hebrew is blessed be the name in English.

Questions

1. Have you ever had the supernatural experience of tasting the Lord? Write about that here.
2. What is the only place of safety upon which we can truly depend?
3. What must we do to make God our refuge?
4. How is the fear of the Lord evidenced in our lives? What is a clean fear that Rabbi spoke of? How does it differ from bondage?
5. Why is it inappropriate for us to make judgement calls on others? Why is it important for us to discipline ourselves in this area?
6. Are you willing to take the test of observing your words for a period of time in order to increase your own discipline of speech/attitude? Let us know at DTJJ how it goes.