

## The Fear of God

Human fear is dictated by nature. Conscious and unconscious fear causes humans to make wrong choices, to become slaves to the world and become deaf and dumb to the Word of God. The opposite of LOVE is FEAR. Simply put, human fear causes "sin" which cuts them off from God's Love and Grace. And where there is "sin" there is evil. Yet too, where there is evil, there is also an abundance of GRACE. Without Grace, one has no power over human fear. No matter the discipline or power a person has mastered or achieved.

The Fear of God overpowers human fear. For the "Fear of God", overshadows the human being like a child who is protectively embraced by a true "Loving Father" warding off all worry and harm. What is there to fear when this Loving Father is the Most Holy, Omnipotent and Immortal God? By this greatest gift of the Holy Spirit, a wo/man/child of God has nothing to fear when their God is the Almighty One of the Most High. "My God is mightier than your god, my God is greater than yours..."

Though this does not mean, one will not be punished or have to do penance and make amends for his/her sins, for God's hand of justice is truly right and only lasts a moment. What true, loving father does not discipline his child? God's anger lasts only a short moment in relation to an eternity of living in the Father's Divine Love and Joy as His adopted child through Jesus Christ.

"To both man and beast you give protection.  
O Lord, how precious is your love.  
My God, the sons of men  
find refuge in the shelter of your wings."  
(Pslam36)

"The mountains to their bases, the seas, are shaken;  
the rocks, like wax, melt before your glance. –  
But to those who fear you,  
you are very merciful."  
(Judith 16:2-3a, 13-15)

The following link below is a commentary concerning the nature of sin and the punishment of God:

<http://www.churchmilitant.com/news/article/judgment-and-the-punishment-of-sin>

"...Punishment is also obliterated through certain plenary indulgences \*." (Message to Maureen by St. Thomas Aquinas, April 13, 2005)

\* [https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/mercy/general\\_conditions.htm](https://www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/mercy/general_conditions.htm)