

Title: **Living in Fear**
Text: **1 Peter 1:17-21**
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Big Idea

Because we have been rescued by Jesus, we ought to live this present life with reverent fear of God, keeping in mind His coming judgment.

1. L_____ in R_____ F_____ of God (v. 17b)

- Live H_____ Lives
(cf. 1 Peter 1:15-16)
- Live With "F_____"
(cf. Proverbs 3:27, 9:10, 2 Cor 7:1, Hebrews 12:28-29, Psalm 145:19-20)
- Live As T_____ E_____
(cf. 1 Peter 1:1, 2:11)

2. R_____ Our Heavenly Father is a J_____ (v. 17a)

- Judgment of W_____ for Christians
(cf. 1 Corinthians 3:11-15, Matthew 25:14-30, James 2:18)

3. R_____ You Have Been R_____ by Jesus (vv. 18-21)

- Rescued from the e_____ of idolatry (v.18a)
- Rescued by the p_____ sacrifice of Jesus (vv. 18b-19)
- All Part of God's U_____ P_____ (of Salvation) (vv. 20-21)
(cf. 1 Peter 1:10-12)



Reflection Questions

- What do you live in fear of? What fears guide, drive or dictate how you live and the choices you make? Do you have a reverent fear of God? Why or why not? What does it look like to have a reverent fear of God in your life?
- What are areas in your life where you need to walk and live in holiness (re: set apart for God)?
- In what ways do you need to be reminded that your present life is temporary?
- How does knowing that you will be judged by God (according to your works as a believer) shape how you might live in the coming weeks?
- How does remembering you have been rescued by Jesus give you assurance and hope today? How might knowing Jesus sacrifice for you encourage you in times of discouragement, depressions or feeling worthless?

Parent Corner: Ask your child this week about their fears. Share with them what it means to fear the Lord – as well as the redemption they have in Jesus.

Recommend Resources: *Rejoice & Tremble: The Surprising Good News of the Fear of the Lord* by Michael Reeves

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FAITH: The Way Back to God | We are redeemed to enjoy intimate presses our church *upwards* in love

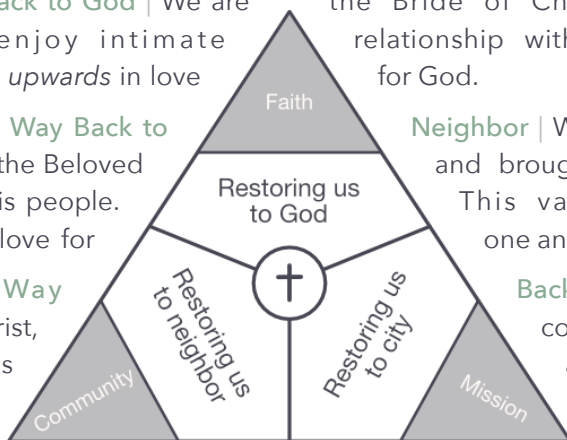
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COMMUNITY: The Way Back to Christ, adopted in the Beloved relationship with his people. church *inwards* in love for

Neighbor | We are the Family of and brought into covenantal This value presses our one another.

MISSION: The Way the Embassy of Christ, Savior to be his value presses our in love for the

Back to City | We are commissioned by the ambassadors. This church *outwards* unbelieving.



Your Next Steps

When approaching the Christian faith and life, it can be confusing to know where to even begin. Come find us at the Next Steps Table after the service—it would be our joy to help you along in the journey! And if you're a visitor, we have a special gift bag for you. Don't miss it!



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We are so glad you've joined us today!

Announcement Spotlight

Ladies' Christmas Tea!

Ladies and youth girls—it is that time of the year again! We hope you can join us for a Christmas Tea on Saturday, December 7th, from 1:00-4:00pm at the Wilson's residence in San Jose. We'll have lots of delicious goodies and look forward to a fun time of fellowship and reflecting on Advent to get into the holiday season! Feel free to wear your most festive outfit and bring a Christmas mug. We hope you can join us!

For more information and a link to RSVP (by 12/2), please scan the QR code below.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcia, Margaret, or Beca at rbkvaloz@gmail.com.

All Church Prayer - Tonight!

Covenant Membership Class - Open Registration!

MH Kids Christmas Choir - Coordinator Needed

CityTeam's Grace Village Apartment Renovation

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