

NO FEAR?

1John 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1John 2:16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

1John 2:17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

1John 2:18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

1John 2:19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

Don't do the fool!!!

1. Secular Christianity is very popular. This is where so called Christians possess the same moral values as sinners and live the same lifestyles as the world.
2. The great falling away of the last days is actually Christians falling away from the true gospel of the Word of God. **2Th. 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;**
3. Many modern day Christian leaders and teachers are merely foolish. Jesus clearly said that you cannot serve two masters, yet so many people today try to defy those words.

4. A person that does not obey God does not fear God. People that desire to "do as they wilt" are prideful and have no reverence or fear of the consequences. **Matt. 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**



Knowledge is power!!

1. The word of God stresses that we should be wise and know his word. But many modern day Christians are living by their own power and have no spiritual wisdom.
2. The word teaches us that the beginning of all wisdom is the fear of the Lord. **Job 28:28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.**
3. Anyone that chooses to practice a sinful lifestyle and boldly claim to be God's child has no fear. **1John 3:9 No one who is born of God practices sin, because His seed abides in him; and he cannot sin, because he is 1born of God. By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother.**

Teach me Lord

1. One dangerous attribute of a fearless person is that they are unteachable. You cannot teach a person that has no fear of God in his heart. **1John 4:6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.**
2. This kind of person cannot receive the word. Matt 13:19 The word never takes root because the grounds of that persons mind is full of their own will and agenda. It is impossible to serve God in this state, because if you cannot hear the word then you cannot have faith. **Rom. 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.** Without faith, you cannot please God or receive salvation. This is a dangerous state to be in.
3. Another attribute of a fearless person is that they will not give up there sinful and wicked lifestyles. **John 12:25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.** No matter how hard you try to get forgiveness, if sin lives in your heart then the fear of the Lord does not. There is a big difference in saying I'm sorry and repenting. God requires repentance, not apologies. **Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.**
4. The worst attribute of a fearless person is that they cannot be in fellowship with God. It is impossible to serve God and serve yourself. It is impossible to love the world and love God. How can a person truly love God without fearing Him?

Summary - The world has become very wicked. When men become lovers of themselves they lose the fear of God and because they lack wisdom and fear, many will perish. Secular Christians are not Christians or Christ like at all. The word of God says that these types of Christians are not his and if the righteous will scarcely make it in, then where will a sinful, non believing believer end up? If we believe in him, we must believe all that He says. And in the word, it stresses that we keep a healthy fear of God. Fearing God is not being afraid of him but it is obeying him. If we do not obey then we will never see him.

Matt. 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

