

# Things that Delight the Lord

## God delights in His People

**Ps 149:4** *For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation. NKJV*

The Lord takes \_\_\_\_\_ in His people.

**Ex 6:6-8** - God took the Israelites as \_\_\_\_\_ people. He was going to rescue them and redeem them from Egyptian bondage.

**Deut 26:16-19** - God told Israel, His \_\_\_\_\_ people, that He would set them above all nations, in praise, in name, and in honor.

**Titus 2:11-14** *For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. NKJV*

Christ died to redeem us, \_\_\_\_\_ us, and to make us his own special people.

**1 Peter 2:9-10** - We were once not a people, but we are now the people of \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 Sam 15:22** *So Samuel said: "Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams. 23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, And stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, He also has rejected you from being king." NKJV*

## God delights in His People Who Fear Him

**Ps 147:10** *He does not delight in the strength of the horse; He takes no pleasure in the legs of a man. 11 The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear Him, In those who hope in His mercy. NKJV*

God does not take pleasure in the same things that men do.

God takes pleasure in those that fear Him and hope in His \_\_\_\_\_.

**Deut 10:12** - One of the basic requirements God has for His people is to fear Him and to walk in \_\_\_\_\_ His ways.

**Jer 9:23-24** *Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, Let not the mighty man glory in his might, Nor let the rich man glory in his riches; 24 But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the Lord, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight," says the Lord. NKJV*

People who understand and \_\_\_\_\_ God are a delight to Him.

**1 Peter 2:17** *Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.* NKJV

## Examples

**Gen 22:9-12** - Abraham's willingness to offer his son to God was motivated by His \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

**Gen 39:7-9** - Joseph didn't sin because he feared \_\_\_\_\_.

**Gen 41:14-16** - Joseph feared God so much that he made sure God received the \_\_\_\_\_ for interpreting Pharaoh's dream.

**Gen 42:14-20** - Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ His fear of God for letting his nine brothers return to get Benjamin while keeping only Simeon in prison.

**Gen 50:15-21** - Joseph's respect for God prevented him from taking \_\_\_\_\_ on his brothers.

**Job 1:1-8** - One of the reasons God \_\_\_\_\_ in Job was that Job feared God. It was his fear of God that made him \_\_\_\_\_ evil.

In Exodus 18:21 we read that Moses chose \_\_\_\_\_ who feared God.

When Jehoshaphat appointed judges over the people he told them to \_\_\_\_\_ in the fear of the Lord. (2 Chron 19:4-11).

Cornelius, the first Gentile convert to Christ, is described as one who feared God.

## Enter Solomon's Throne Room

**Prov 1:7** *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

**Proverbs 9:10** *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.* NKJV

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**Prov 2:1-6** *My son, if you receive my words, And treasure my commands within you, 2 So that you incline your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; 3 Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding, 4 If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hidden treasures; 5 Then you will understand the fear of the Lord, And find the knowledge of God. 6 For the Lord gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding.* NKJV

Solomon said that in order to understand the fear of the Lord we must \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom as would silver and hidden treasures.

**Proverbs 8:13** *The fear of the Lord is to \_\_\_\_\_ evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate.* NKJV

**Proverbs 10:27** *The fear of the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ days, But the years of the wicked will be shortened.* NKJV

**Proverbs 14:26** *In the fear of the Lord there is strong \_\_\_\_\_, And His children will have a place of refuge. 27 The fear of the Lord is a fountain of \_\_\_\_\_, To turn one away from the snares of death.*

**Proverbs 15:16** *Better is a little with the fear of the Lord, Than great treasure with trouble. NKJV*

**Proverbs 15:33** *The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom, And before honor is humility. NKJV*

**Proverbs 16:6** *In mercy and truth Atonement is provided for iniquity; And by the fear of the Lord one \_\_\_\_\_ from evil. NKJV*

**Proverbs 19:23** *The fear of the Lord leads to \_\_\_\_\_, And he who has it will abide in satisfaction; He will not be visited with evil. NKJV*

**Proverbs 22:4** *By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches and \_\_\_\_\_ and life. NKJV*

**Proverbs 23:17** *Do not let your heart envy sinners, But be \_\_\_\_\_ for the fear of the Lord all the day.*

**Ecclesiastes 5:7** *For in the multitude of dreams and many words there is also vanity. But fear God. NKJV*

**Eccl 7:15** - The one who fears the Lord will \_\_\_\_\_ the vanities of this life.

**Eccl 12:13-14** *Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. 14 For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil. NKJV*

Solomon \_\_\_\_\_ that the abundant life can only be found by fearing God and keeping His commandments.

## God Delights in His People Who Obey Him

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The Lord takes \_\_\_\_\_ delight in those who obey Him.

**Prov 11:20** *Those who are of a perverse heart are an abomination to the Lord, But the \_\_\_\_\_ in their ways are His delight. NKJV*

## God Delights in His People Who are Honest

**Prov 11:1** *Dishonest scales are an abomination to the Lord, But a just weight is His delight. NKJV*

**Prov 12:22** *Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, But those who deal \_\_\_\_\_ are His delight. NKJV*