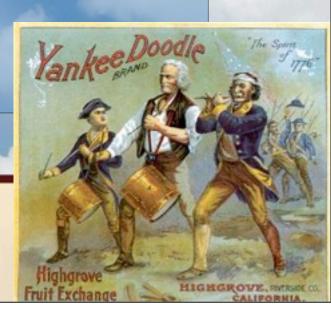


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2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2

- Fear of the Lord
- Ministry of Reconciliation
- A New Creation

Fear of the Lord

2 Cor 5:10

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad."



Jesus is supremely loving (Rom 8:38)

Jesus is supremely merciful (Titus 3:4-5)

Fear of the Lord

2 Cor 5:11

"Since, then, we know what it is to fear the Lord, we try to persuade men."

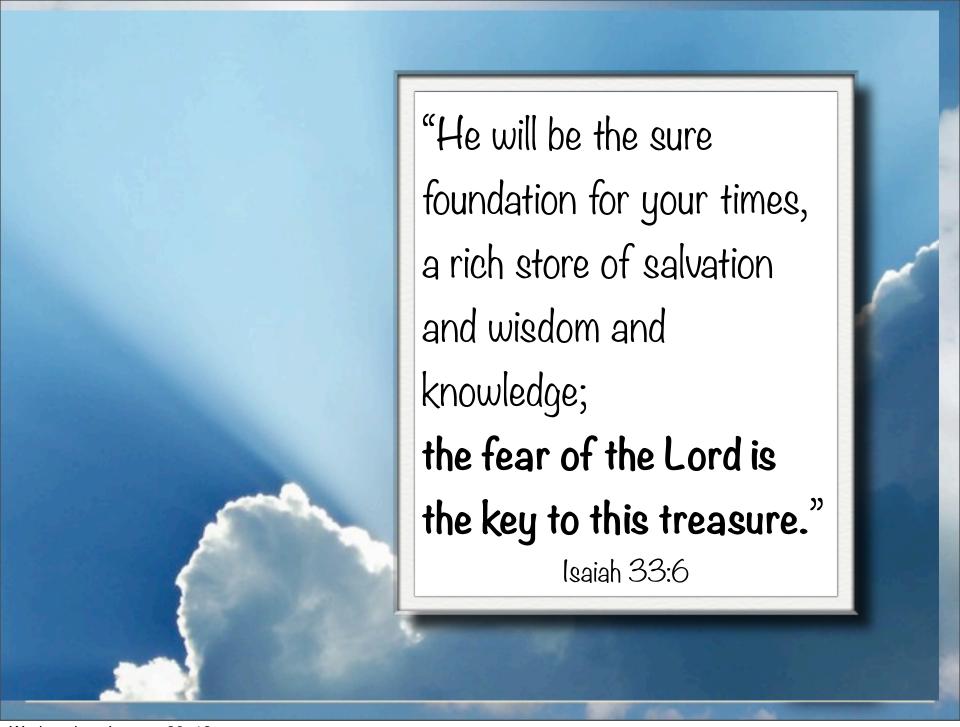


Fear of the Lord

- Healthy fear
- Awe and respect
- Obeying someone we love

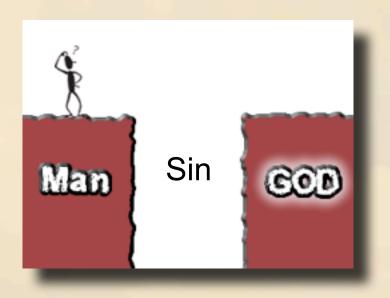
"Fear of the Lord keeps a man from doing things which would break the heart of someone he loves."

~Warren Weirsbe

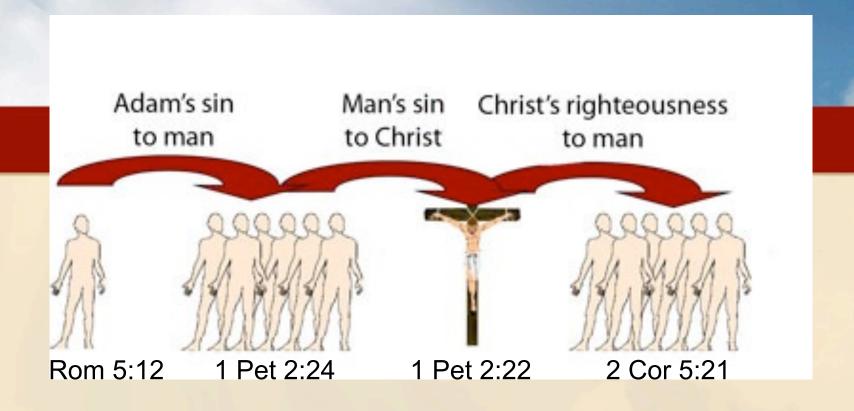


Ministry of Reconciliation

Reconciliation is a change of relationship between God and man based on the changed status of man through the redemptive work of Christ.







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2 Corinthians 5:21

Reconciliation

A gift for all (Rom 6:10, 23)

Ministry of Reconciliation

We are to tell others about the gift (2 Cor 5:20, Mt 28:19)



"Therefore if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation.

The old has gone, the new has come."

2 Cor 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.





"For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness" Isaiah 61:10



The Old has gone! The New has come!

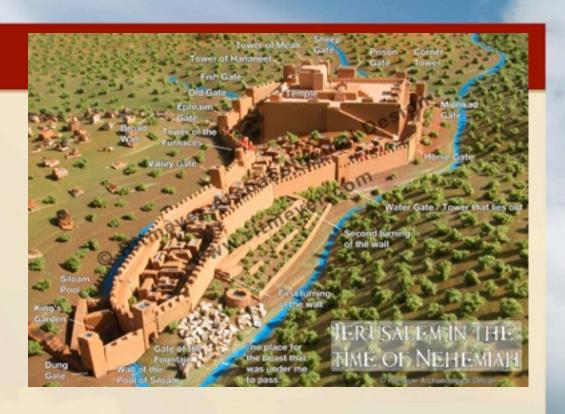
- Its a process. (2 Cor 3:18)
- Fit requires us to do something. (Eph 4:22)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.



Nehemiah 4:10

Meanwhile, the people in Judah said, "The strength of the laborers is giving out, and there is so much rubble that we cannot rebuild the wall."



"It's important for us to deal with our personal rubble or we may find ourselves still climbing over it many years from now." ~Kelly Minter





"There's a reason why the rearview mirror is so much smaller than the front windshield."

~Linda Aldred



"Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal..."

Phil 3:13-14

Applying the Lesson in Your Life

Where is your eye?

On the rear view mirror of what has gone before?

Or looking out to the possibilities of transformation?



What rubble needs to be removed so that you can say, "The old has gone! The new has Come!"