

## Deacon's Beacons

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The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction. Proverbs 1:7

Fear of the Lord is a difficult concept to grasp. If God is Love, why should we fear Him? The best definition of Fear of the Lord was found in John Paul II's book, Crossing the Threshold of Hope. In it, he presents that fear of the Lord is not being afraid of God and what He will do if we sin but is really based in love and our fear of doing something that would be displeasing to God. While we must be careful here and not enter into Patripassionism, a heresy that attributes human feelings and emotions to God, we should, in love, strive to do what our Beloved wants for us. So following His instructions found in Scripture, we become wise and grow in knowledge and grace.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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