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There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. 1 John 4:18

Do you believe in God? What God do you believe in? A vengeful God or a loving God? Yes, we deserve punishment for our sins but God has chosen a better way. The Mercy of God outweighs the justice of God. God chose to take our sins upon Himself and pay the price through His own blood. Why would you fear God? The phrase "Fear of the Lord" has fallen out of use today. I think that was partly an attempt by the Church to remove a negative image. But it is a valid concept. However, it must be understood in this way. The Fear of the Lord is not what God is going to do to me because of my sin but how my sin breaks the relationship with God and offends God whom I should love above all else. This is a much healthier and more positive concept.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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