

Deacon's Beacons

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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

Are you afraid that God will punish you? Or are you afraid that your sins offend God? That is really what Fear of the Lord is all about. It is not fear that God is going to smite you but that you are, by your actions, not properly loving God. It is not really appropriate to suggest that God experiences human emotions because God is not human. But we can look at our actions and determine how they place us in relationship or in tension with the God Who loves us and Whom we should love above all things. If you love, there is no need for fear.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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