

Morning Service, 19 June 2011, Julian Hardyman

Wisdom about people pleasing

Proverbs 29:25

1. Pleasing people

- Why we fear others: the security we long for
- What fearing others does: the danger it creates

2. Trusting God

- The right person to fear
- The right place to find security

Application

- Who are you frightened of?
- What snares are your fears creating for you?
- What would your life look like if you trusted God instead?

Proverbs about the Fear of God

- 1:1** The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel:
² for attaining wisdom and discipline;
for understanding words of insight;
³ for acquiring a disciplined and prudent life,
doing what is right and just and fair;
⁴ for giving prudence to the simple,
knowledge and discretion to the young—
⁵ let the wise listen and add to their learning,
and let the discerning get guidance—
⁶ for understanding proverbs and parables,
the sayings and riddles of the wise.
⁷ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge,
but fools despise wisdom and discipline.
- 14: 27** The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life,
turning a person from the snares of death.
- 29:25** Fear of man will prove to be a snare,
but whoever trusts in the LORD is kept safe.