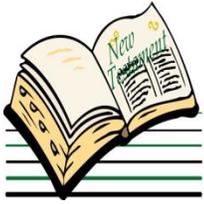


## Sermon Notes



**Title:** *Live in Fear*

**Text:** I Peter 1:17-21

**Theme:** Our lives should reflect the cost that Christ paid for our new life. And because of this, we should tangibly demonstrate a heart of respect and awe for our Savior as we live as His exiles in this world.

I. The Special \_\_\_\_\_ Christians  
Have with the God of All the Earth Forms the  
\_\_\_\_\_ for Living in Fear (v. 17a)

II. Living in Fear Encompasses the Believer's Entire Pre-  
\_\_\_\_\_ Life (v. 17b)

III. Christ's Costly \_\_\_\_\_ Is the  
\_\_\_\_\_ for Living in Fear (vv. 18-21)

## IV. Applications

A. We must live in awe and respect of God because He is an  
\_\_\_\_\_.

B. We live in the fear of the LORD because we do not hold  
\_\_\_\_\_ in this  
\_\_\_\_\_ world.

C. We live in the fear of God because of what it  
\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ us.

**Next Week Read: 1 Peter 1:22-25**

**Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:**

1. What is the central command in this passage (v. 17b)?
2. What is the conditional reason why we do this (v. 17a)?
3. How is God the Father described with respect to all people (v. 17a)?
4. How long are Christians to fulfill the central command (v. 17b)?
5. What does Peter use as the basis for Christians carrying out the central command (vv. 18-19)?
6. What description indicates that Peter addresses Gentiles, not Jews (v. 18)?
7. What is a ransom?
8. What likely forms the background for Peter's imagery of being ransomed?
9. What has ransomed Christians? From what have Christians been ransomed (vv. 18-19)?
10. What is more precious than silver or gold (v. 19)?
11. When did God determine to provide this ransom (v. 20)?
12. What is the only way that someone can truly claim to believe in God (v. 21)?
13. What are the different uses of the word "fear"?
14. What two verses were mentioned in the message that touch on the idea of fear? How do these two verses fit together?
15. What does it mean to fear God?
16. How can you live in the fear of God and still feel free to approach Him with your needs, desires, and requests?
17. How do you think holding too tightly to this world might impede your fear of the LORD?
18. In what ways do you suppose exiles from another country would conduct themselves in a foreign land that might serve as an analogy to the central command?
19. Does your life need to be ransomed? Why or why not?
20. How should Christ's ransom motivate you on a daily basis?