

Two Motives that Prevent us from Sinning

Selected Scriptures

Introduction:

What are motives? A motive is a reason for doing things. Motives are what drive us. Motives move us into action.

What reason does the believer have to live a holy life? What would drive us to live according to God's standards?

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I. The FEAR of God (Prov.8:13; 16:6)

Proverbs 8:13

The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

Proverbs 16:6

By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the Lord men depart from evil.

II. The LOVE of God (John 14:23-24; I John 5:3)

John 14:23-24

"...If a man love me, he will keep my words...He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings"

I John 5:3 - "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not grievous."

How do we obtain this Fear of God and Love for God? By Faith.