The Fear of the Lord

**Ecclesiastes 12:13-14**  13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for **this *is* the whole** *duty* **of man**. 14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil.

* Fear God and keep His commandments.
* That's our whole duty. According to Solomon.

**Fear 🡪** The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge. **Pro 1:7**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy in understanding. **Pro 9:10**

**Know (Context)** 🡪 how to apply Wisdom and Instruction. **Pro 1:2**

**Perceive \ Understand (Interpretation)** 🡪 How to be discerning with the with the words you have come to understand in wisdom. **Pro 1:2**

**Receive \ Wisdom (Application)** 🡪 (take in marriage) the instruction(s) of prudence (insight), judgment (righteousness) Judgment (justice) and Equity (sincereness of purpose). **Pro 1:3**

**Give** 🡪 subtlety (wisdom or prudence) and to the young man knowledge to escape evil and find good **Pro 1:4**

**Hear** 🡪 with an ear to implement and obey. **Pro 1:5**

**Increase** 🡪 Continue to learn and attain light. **Pro 1:5**

**Attain 🡪** Be a man of understanding[[1]](#footnote-1) who continues to attain or “buy” wisdom so that you can then:

**Fear 🡪** Fear God and keep His commandments. **Ecc 12:13-14**

1. “A man of understanding” is Niphal in form. He is one who “passively” allows learning and wisdom to continue to change him. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)