



FEAR AND YOUR VIEW OF GOD



FEARS	Strategy to overcome fear	Sinful behavior	Pride and Unbelief	WRONG view of God	RIGHT view of God
REJECTION	<p>Avoids personal responsibilities</p> <p>Attempts to perform in ways that are acceptable to themselves, others and God</p>	<p>People-pleaser rather than God-pleaser</p> <p>Over-achiever Unbiblical priorities</p> <p>Demanding Victim Conflict avoider</p>	<p>Not accepting of how God made them</p> <p>Believes they deserve God's love and the love of others</p>	<p>God's forgiveness and acceptance is not enough</p> <p><i>God's love is not enough – they need His love plus approval of others</i></p>	<p>GOD IS GLORIOUS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Righteous • Loving • Accepting • My Father <p><i>Nothing can separate me from His love</i></p>
FAILURE	<p>Avoids areas where they feel inadequate</p> <p>Performs to cover areas where they feel inadequate</p>	<p>Avoids responsibility</p> <p>Withdrawal Conflict-avoider Domination Defensiveness Justification Martyr</p> <p>Over-achiever Perfectionist Unbiblical priorities</p>	<p>Not accepting of God's grace, love and forgiveness</p> <p>Believes they can save themselves and earn God's favor</p>	<p>God loves them more when they obey and less when they don't</p> <p>The cross was not sufficient</p> <p><i>God's love can be earned by performance</i></p>	<p>GOD IS GRACIOUS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merciful • Forgiving • Long suffering <p><i>He created me in His image for good works</i></p> <p><i>He has given me all I need for life and godliness</i></p> <p><i>He has uniquely gifted me spiritually</i></p>
FUTURE	<p>Projects into the future to:</p> <p>Avoid it Control it</p>	<p>Worries/controls</p> <p>Anxiety Withdrawal Denial Panic attacks Manipulation</p>	<p>Not trusting God</p> <p>Believes they know better than God</p> <p>Believes they deserve things their way</p>	<p>God is not in control</p> <p>God is out to get them</p> <p>God's grace is not sufficient</p> <p><i>God owes them a pleasant future</i></p>	<p>GOD IS GREAT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sovereign • Good • Faithful • Righteous <p><i>He shows me grace and mercy</i></p>
PAIN	<p>Finds ways to escape or avoid suffering</p> <p>Finds ways to bring relief from or cover up pain</p>	<p>Avoids suffering</p> <p>Pursues pleasure or unbiblical escapes</p>	<p>Not accepting of God's plan for their life</p> <p>Believes they don't deserve to suffer</p> <p>Believes they deserve a happy pain-free life</p>	<p>God wants them happy and free from suffering</p> <p><i>God exists to take away their pain and keep them from pain</i></p>	<p>GOD IS GOOD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy and Just • Sovereign • All-knowing • Compassionate • Caring <p><i>Because He suffered for me I have the privilege of sharing in His suffering</i></p>