

The Fear of God is not Fright.....

Being afraid of God is different from fearing God. The fear of God is a fruit of love, but being afraid of Him is the seed of hatred. Therefore we should not be afraid of God but should fear Him so that we do not hate Him whom we should love.....Therefore the fear of God is more aptly called reverence. For example, we revere those whom we love, honor, esteem, and fear to offend. (What Luther Says, #1525)