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Topic: Studies in Revelation - Who Shall Not Fear Thee?

Text: Revelation 15:5-8

1. There is a lack of fear and reverence for God's name among both unbelievers and believers. Unbelievers think that they are sovereign and that they can do anything they want. Some believers worship God in a lax manner and are careless in their words and thoughts. What God expects of His creation is that we exalt and fear Him with our all, as seen in Psalm 89.
2. All of us must fear God because He is holy (v5-6). In verse 5, the temple of the tabernacle is the holy of holies, where the ark of the covenant is located. During the Old Testament, anyone who goes in unprepared or unclean will be struck dead. Similarly, the judgment in the second coming will be meted out in the purity and holiness of God. This is seen through the angels clothed in pure and white linen. Before the holy God, no unclean man will live. This should cause us to be careful of the way we worship God and conduct ourselves.
3. Another reason why we must fear God is because of His wrath (v7). This wrath is only for the unbelievers, who will be sentenced into the eternal lake of fire. The scene will be bloody and painful, but this is the just punishment for the sins of the world. True believers must be very careful not to live in sin because we have been forgiven by the blood of Christ.
4. Lastly, we must fear God because of His glory (v8). No one will be able to enter the temple of God because it will be filled with the glory of God. Anyone who sees the full glory of God cannot live. Subsequently, the vial judgments will be released. Believers are called to be bearers of God's awesome glory. This is a great honour and responsibility at the same time.

*The fear of God should grip our hearts and cause us reflect how we walk before Him*