Central Evangelical Church Cell Groups

Solomon: Solomon's Proverbs: THE FEAR OF THE LORD

Use the questions as suits you best and don't feel you need to cover them all.

- I. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.
- 2. Ought we to be scared of God?
 - Would you consider "reverent obedience" as perhaps the best way of understanding the fear of the Lord?
- 3. Why does fearing the Lord enable us to hate evil (Prov.8¹³/16⁶) and walk in righteousness (Prov. 14²); and how does this work out in practice?
 - Do you agree that the fear of the Lord is much needed in our nation today?
- 4. When you first hear of **The Fear of the Lord** do you think of it as a blessing? (Prov.28¹⁴ / Psalm 112^1 / Isaiah 11^{1-3})
 - Do you agree that it doesn't sound like a feel-good topic?
- 5. Have you experienced any health benefits as a result of fearing the Lord? (Prov. 10²⁷ / 4²⁰⁻²²)
- 6. In practical ways, how could you / CEC as a church develop our fear of the Lord?

Consider these if you have the time

- A. Why did the second thief at the crucifixion rebuke the other one? (Luke 23³⁹⁻⁴³)
- B. You may wish to consider the other two types of fear that were mentioned:-
 - The fear of death (Hebs. 2¹⁴⁻¹⁵)
 - The fear of judgment (1 John 4¹⁶⁻¹⁸)