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The Lord wants you to live in His light.

**Ps. 19:9** *The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous.*

The fear of the Lord is pure. What does that phrase mean to you? First of all, we can know that this word fear is not a panic or being afraid so as not to come close to God. In fact, it is just the opposite. It is a reverence and awe of Who we get to know and be close to. There have been a few times in my life that I've experienced being in the presence of a person who held the respect and power over many people. But I can tell you, the place I long to be is in the presence of my LORD and Savior. It is there that I find rest for my soul. It is there that I find comfort and peace. It is in His presence that I can know that my prayers are heard and being answered.

Did you notice that David says this type of fear is pure, enduring forever? That means that the things of God, the attributes of our LORD, never change. **Heb. 13:8** *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.* We can experience this pure and enduring respect and reverence. We can sense the power of the Almighty. We can then be reminded that He has opened the way for us to enter into the Holy of Holies by the blood of The Lamb. He invites us into His presence. He longs for us to run to Him and cast all of our cares on Him, because He cares for you.

And, because of this, everything that He decrees will stand forever. They are all pure and perfect and right. They will stand the test of time when all things of this world will fail. I love the passage found in **Phil. 4:8** *Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable -- if anything is excellent or praiseworthy -- think about such things.*

**Dear LORD, we worship You and You alone. There is no one like You LORD. You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are just and right and pure. We exalt You LORD, In Jesus Name, Amen**