## The Words of the Preacher: ECCLESIASTES

Life Under the Sun
The Fear of God
Ecclesiastes 5:7

## PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty LORD God, Maker of heaven and earth. You are worthy of all honor, glory, majesty and praise. You are to be revered, worshiped with all awe and humility of heart. You are the LORD God, there is no other. We confess our hearts are most often driven by the fear of creatures and creation. Our hearts tremble over temporary pleasures and passing days. Lord, work in us that fear of you, which is the beginning of wisdom. That fear which will instruct us in wisdom, and which is a fountain of life, that we might turn away from the snares of death. Unite our hearts to fear your name, that we may keep your commandments, which is our whole duty this morning. And put your fear in our hearts, that we may not turn from you but with fervent love, awe & devotion revel in your blessings to those who fear & trust in your name. Let us be devoted to your fear; and let us continue in the fear of the LORD everyday and forevermore. We ask this in the name of our Jesus Christ, Faithful and True our only Judge and King. Amen & Amen

## **OUTLINE**

- 1. The Essence of the Fear of God
- 2. The Value of the Fear of God
- 3. The Source of the Fear of God

Central Textual Truth
The Preacher calls us to fear the LORD God.
Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to faithfully fear the LORD God.