

Three Strategic Goals for 2013
Goal #2 – To Foster a Biblical Understanding of the Church
Church Growth Happens When People Fear God
Acts 9:31

Intro:

Luke uses _____ like 9:31 throughout his letter. They are meant to draw a previous section to a _____.

Acts 8:25

The phrase “_____” in verse 31 is a reference to two distinct issues going on at this time.

1. The _____ (Saul) was now a believer in the one whom he had _____.

2. Emperor _____ (A.D. 39) was a distraction to the Jews as he was attempting to set up an image of himself in the _____ for the people to worship.

The phrase “built up” means to be _____ spiritually but the context of the Book of Acts also indicates a _____ building up.

Walking in the fear of the Lord is _____.

“Walking” refers to _____.
 Ephesians 5:15-16

The daily _____ we make indicate if we are walking in the fear of God (_____) or rebelling against Him (_____).

Fear is either a holy _____ for God or a _____ of God.

_____ people should be in fear of God because of their _____ but they usually aren't.

Romans 3:9-18; James 2:19

_____ must have a holy reverence for God.

A holy fear is one that _____.

1 John 4:18

A holy fear is never _____ with God.

Exodus 14:31; Deuteronomy 6:1-2

Walking in the _____ of the Holy Spirit is the _____ of walking in the fear of the Lord.

Too many people want this comfort while living in _____.

Romans 6:14

Obedient people are _____ people and are _____ people.

John 15:10-11

When the church is comforted by fearing God, it will _____.

Acts 2:46-47; 5:13-14; 6:7

Application:

1. I would be a better _____ to the lost if I would _____ of _____.

2. In order for me to _____ in the _____ of the Lord, I need to _____.

3. If those who know me were to _____ on _____, I would be _____ for people to find out that I _____.

4. I need to _____ in order to begin _____ in the fear of the Lord.

5. I am _____ to the _____ of the church by _____.