# The Fear of the Lord as the Basis for Thanksgiving

Psalm 111

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- Acrostic form
  - Each half verse using the next letter in the Hebrew Alphabet
- Partner to Psalm 112

## Psalm 111 and 112

- Each 10 verses
  - 1-8 have 2 lines
  - 9 & 10 have 3 lines
- Parallels
- Also seems to have chiastic style elements

#### The Fear of the Lord

 If we had to write this psalm based on the church today?

#### The Fear of the Lord

- What does it mean to fear the Lord?
  - Is God a scary tyrant?

# Who is God?

- Attributes
  - Eternal
  - Aseity
  - Simplicity
    - Love
    - Existence
    - Power
  - Omnipotence
  - Omnipresence

#### The Fear of the Lord

- What does it mean to fear the Lord?
  - Isaiah 6

"Woe is me for I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips and dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of Hosts."

## What is Man?

- What is Man in relation to God?
- What is man's proper response to God?

#### God is not lost!

- While a high view of God shows how much different He is than creation, it does not mean we lose Him
  - Omnipresence
  - God's powerful acts
    - Psalm 111
    - Jesus

# Thanksgiving

• In recognizing who God is and what He has done, we can respond with hearts of thanksgiving.