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Proverbs 9:1-18

The Jews refer to the ten days from Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) to Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) as the "Days of Awe" or "Days of Repentance." This time is to be spent in introspection and reconciliation. Awe and repentance are scriptural responses to the encounter with the holy God. When the prophet Isaiah encountered "the LORD, high and exalted," he could only cry, "Woe to me!" (Isaiah 6:1-5).

The fear of the Lord is truly the beginning of wisdom. How can we become wise without a sense of awe for the absolute purity of God's holiness, without wonder at the revelation of God's redemptive love, or without trembling in fearful respect before His limitless power? For the believer in Jesus Christ, one who has His Holy Spirit abiding within, shouldn't all of our days, be regarded as "days of awe"? Shouldn't this awe display itself in compassionate service, sincere worship, and humble witness?

It is only in the atmosphere of awe that we can begin to understand the God revealed to us in His Holy Word.

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