

The First Command

'Do not be afraid' (Matthew 28: 5)

1. 'Fear not!'

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

Matthew 10:28

NIV - Anglicised

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. **Do not let your hearts be troubled** and do not be afraid.

John 14:27

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From the moment we were born, the fear of things going wrong has been worse than the things that have actually gone wrong...

2. Fear the Lord!

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

Proverbs 9:10

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Respect

Terror

Reverence and Awe!

Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own
understanding; in all your ways
acknowledge him, and he will
make your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:5–6

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There is no fear in love. But *perfect love casts out fear*, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

1 John 4:18

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This is the **first** and **greatest**
commandment!

Matthew 22:38

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