

“FEAR GOD.”

Delivered to DANVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Lord's Day Morning June 26th 2016.
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...Fear God...

Rev. 14:7

Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

Rev. 14 is the 2nd account given to us of the rapture of the Lord's Kingdom at His 2nd Coming.

However, this 2nd account gives us **two** views of this great event.

Verse 1: “And I looked, and, lo”

Verse 14: “And I looked, and behold”

Rev. 14:7 ...FEAR GOD... Is our text and the **coming judgement** is our context.

Gen 31:42; 53

“Jacob swore **by the fear** of his father Isaac

Let's examine:

Gen. 31: 36+

36. And Jacob was wroth, and **chode with Laban**: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What *is* my trespass? what *is* my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?

37 Whereas thou hast searched all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set *it* here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us both.

38 This twenty years *have I been* with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.

39 That which was torn *of beasts* I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it, *whether* stolen by day, or stolen by night.

40 *Thus* I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.

41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou hast changed my wages ten times.

42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, **and the fear (God) of Isaac**, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* yesternight.

44 Now therefore come thou, **let us make a covenant** (of peace), I and thou; and let it be for a witness between me and thee.

45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up *for* a pillar.

46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

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47 And Laban called it Jegarsahadutha: but Jacob called it Galeed. (Mt. Gilead)

48 And Laban said, This heap is a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed;

51 And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold *this* pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee;

52 This heap *be witness*, and *this pillar be witness*, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge betwixt us. **And Jacob swore by the fear of his father Isaac.**

By the fear, that is, by the God of his father Isaac.

John recognized him as fear:

Rev 1:17

“And when I saw him,” says John, “I fell at his feet as dead”

You may ask:

Does not the scriptures say? For God hath **not given us the spirit of fear**; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. 2 Tim. 1:7

This is true **BUT** the word fear here means: Deilia "fearfulness" (from deos, "fright"), is rightly rendered "fearfulness" in 2 Tim. 1:7, RV (for AV, "fear"). (Vines)

That spirit is not given us of God.

The word denotes "a coward" and is never used in a good sense, as No. 1 is

1. - Phobos

(RV, "the fear of Christ"); Phil. 2:12; 1 Pet. 1:17 (a comprehensive phrase: the reverential "fear" of God (Vines)

3. - Eulabeia

"reverence, godly fear," Heb. 5:7; 12:28, in best mss., "reverence;" in general, "apprehension, but **especially holy fear**," (Vines)