

- Bible full of courageous men - Daniel in Lion's den, 3 Hebrew children, Elijah on mt Carmel - Stephen, Peter, Paul - Heb. 11 - Herod's faith - Joseph why? Because they were afraid = afraid of sin, of disobedience - that is the one thing in this world to be afraid of - so afraid to sin against D, they had rather die than do it. Dared do anything but offend D -

Peter failed because of this fear - fearfulness indispensable to safety = ship sailing thru narrow waters - troops march thru enemy territory -

Text 1 Peter 1:17-21 = Fear = respect, reverence  
Lift of fear - reverential sense, accountability -  
proper respect = will such will as He can approve  
Why?

I - Relationship to D = of call on Father = not call Him Father, but appeal to as, invoke = appeal to for aid - feelings of a parent - to ask for His gifts & blessings - our fear conserves this relationship - appeal as a child to a parent.

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