

## The wrath of God (Saint Maximos the Confessor)

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The wrath of God is a painful

sensation for those whom He chastises. And it becomes a painful sensation when unwished for thoughts come, through which God often directs the mind which has become puffed up, because of its virtue and knowledge, into timidity and humility.

In this way, He grants people knowledge of themselves and a sense of their own weakness. When they're aware of this, they cast off the vain pride of their heart.

The wrath of the Lord is the cessation of the provision of the divine gifts, and is visited upon those minds which soar to the heights and boast about the good things which God has given them, as though they were their own

» *Saint Maximos the Confessor*

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