

“The Danger Of Neglect To Our Faith”

Lesson Text: **James 4:17.**

I. Neglect Is Dangerous Because It Requires No Effort.

- **Definition of Neglect:** to not give enough care or attention to people or things that are your responsibility: Neglect To Do Something. (Cambridge Dictionary) (Fail to do something).
- **Luke 6:46-49; Matthew 7:21.**
- Why Many Are On The *“Broad Way”* **Matthew 7:13-14.**
- It Requires No Effort To *Bury Our Talent* **Matthew 25:18.**
- It Takes No Effort To *Pass By On The Other Side* **Luke 10:31-33.**

II. Neglect Is Dangerous Because Of Its Destructive Nature.

- We Can Easily See The Danger Of Neglect To Our Responsibilities:
 - Our House. - Our Car. - Our Job. - Paying Bills.
- **Proverbs 24:30-34.**
- How Is Neglect Destructive To Our Faith? **Ephesians 6:13-18.**
- Neglect Makes Us Unfaithful In Our Duties- **Matthew 24:45-51.**

III. Neglect Is Dangerous Because Of Its Deceptive Nature.

- Many Will Argue That Murder, Genocide, Adultery, Fornication, And Stealing Are Some Of The Worst Sins. But It Is True That All Sin Condemns! **1 John 3:4; Romans 6:23.**
- The Most Dangerous Sin Is The One We Don't See As Sin— Neglect.
- That's The Deceptive Nature Of Neglect, We Overlook or Excuse It **Hebrews 3:13.**
- When We Get Selective On What We Will And Will Not Do In God's Will— Feel Safe.

IV. Neglect Is Dangerous To Our Relationships.

- Family Relationships:
 - Husband—Wife **1 Peter 3:7.**
 - Parents—Children **Proverbs 29:15.**
- Church Leaders—Members **Acts 6:1.**
- Christian—Christ And God **John 15:1-2; vs. 8.**

V. Neglect Is Dangerous Because It Is Contrary To The Spirit And Purpose Of The Gospel In Our Lives.

- The Law Said, *“Thou Shalt Not.”* (**Exodus 20:7; 13; 14; 15; And 16.**)
- The Gospel Says, *“Thou Shalt”*... **Mark 16:15; Matthew 4:19.**
- The Gospel Says Add To Your Faith.... **2 Peter 1:5-11.**
- Do Not Neglect Bible Study **1 Timothy 4:14 (Vs. 13-16).**
- Don't Neglect By Forsaking The Assembly **Hebrews 10:25.**

VI. Neglect Is Dangerous Because By It, Many Will Be Lost!

- **Hebrews 2:1-3.**