

Take Heed Beloved

by Clement of Rome

The sermon emphasizes the importance of living a life pleasing to God, characterized by reverence, obedience, and a pure heart.

Scripture: Psalm 139:23, Proverbs 16:9, Proverbs 20:27, Proverbs 22:4, Ecclesiastes 12:13, 1 Corinthians 10:31, Ephesians 6:1, Philippians 2:3, Hebrews 4:13, 1 Peter 5:5

Topics: "Christian Living", "Spiritual Growth"

Description

Clement of Rome emphasizes the importance of living a life worthy of God, reminding believers that the Spirit of the Lord searches the depths of our hearts. He encourages obedience to God's will, even if it means offending foolish and prideful individuals. Clement urges respect for Jesus Christ, leaders, elders, and the training of youth in the fear of God. He highlights the significance of purity, meekness, and genuine love among believers, as well as the value of humility and reverence towards God.

Transcript

Take heed, beloved, lest His many kindnesses lead to the condemnation of us all. [For thus it must be] unless we walk worthy of Him, and with one mind do those things which are good and well-pleasing in His sight. For [the Scripture] says in a certain place, "The Spirit of the Lord is a candle searching the secret parts of the belly." Let us reflect how near He is, and that none of the thoughts or reasonings in which we engage are hid from Him.

It is right, therefore, that we should not leave the post which His will has assigned us. Let us rather offend those men who are foolish, and inconsiderate, and lifted up, and who glory in the pride of their speech, than [offend] God. Let us reverence the Lord Jesus Christ, whose blood was given for us; let us esteem those who have the rule over us; let us honour the aged among us; let us train up the young men in the fear of God; let us direct our wives to that which is good.

Let them exhibit the lovely habit of purity [in all their conduct]; let them show forth the sincere disposition of meekness; let them make manifest the command which they have of their tongue, by their manner of speaking; let them display their love, not by preferring one to another, but by showing equal affection to all that piously fear God. Let your children be partakers of true Christian training; let them learn of how great avail humility is with God -- how much the spirit of pure affection can prevail with Him -- how excellent and great His fear is, and how it saves all those who walk in it with a pure mind. For He is a Searcher of the thoughts and desires [of the heart]: His breath is in us; and when He pleases, He will take it away.

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