

Guilt or Grief Is All You Shall Gain

by Thomas Brooks

Thomas Brooks warns Christians about the dangers of bad company, which can lead to guilt, grief, and hinder their spiritual growth.

Scripture: Psalm 1:1, Proverbs 13:20, 1 Corinthians 15:33

Topics: "Spiritual Integrity", "The Influence of Companionship"

Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the dangers of associating with bad company, warning that such relationships can lead to guilt and grief rather than spiritual growth. He illustrates this point by referencing biblical figures like Lot, David, Joseph, and Peter, who faced consequences due to their associations. Brooks argues that bad company can diminish the sweetness and goodness of a Christian's spirit, ultimately hindering their spiritual journey. He encourages believers to be mindful of their companions, as familiarity with the wicked can tarnish their spiritual beauty and glory.

Transcript

"Do not be misled--Bad company corrupts good character."

1 Corinthians 15:33

As he who walks in the sun will be tanned, and he who touches pitch will be defiled; so he who associates himself with the wicked will be tainted and polluted.

Guilt or grief is all you shall gain by bad company

--witness Lot, David, Joseph, and Peter.

By bad company Christians come to lose much of the sweetness, seriousness, goodness, and graciousness of their spirits. Familiarity with vain people has much worn off the spiritual luster, beauty, and glory--which

has been upon many Christians. Bad company will prove
a very great hindrance to you in your Christian course.

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