

Stone Him to Death!

by Thomas Brooks

We must prioritize God and actively work against our sins, even if they are those closest to our hearts.

Scripture: Deuteronomy 13:6

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Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes the seriousness of idolatry and the dangers posed by close relationships that may lead one away from God. He draws from Deuteronomy 13:6-10, urging believers to reject any temptation from loved ones to worship other gods, highlighting that even the closest bonds should not compromise one's devotion to God. Brooks likens these temptations to 'bosom sins' that must be confronted and eradicated with urgency and determination. The sermon calls for a vigorous response against anything that threatens to draw the heart away from God, advocating for a fierce commitment to faithfulness.

Transcript

"If your very own brother, or your son or daughter, or the wife you love, or your closest friend secretly entices you, saying, 'Let us go and worship other gods (gods that neither you nor your fathers have known, gods of the peoples around you, whether near or far, from one end of the land to the other), do not yield to him or listen to him. Show him no pity. Do not spare him or shield him. You must certainly put him to death. Your hand must be the first in putting him to death, and then the hands of all the people. Stone him to death, because he tried to turn you away from the Lord your God, who brought you

out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery." Deut. 13:6-10

This Scripture tells us, that if father, or mother, or brother, or sister, or kinsman, or friend, should go about to draw a man from God, his hand should be first upon him to put him to death. Now, bosom sins, darling sins--they seek to draw a man's heart from God, and therefore a gracious soul can't but rise up against them, and do his best to stone them, and to be the death of them!

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