

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY  
EZEKIEL 18:19-22

Introduction:

- A. Ezekiel, along with Jeremiah, are considered the prophets of \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Jesus throughout His ministry emphasized the importance of this.
- C. Today many are content just to sit back and look on while the cause of Christ suffers for the lack of enthusiastic workers.
  - 1. Why does this happen?
  - 2. People are not assuming their individual responsibility toward God.

I. The Parables Of Judgment

- A. We should consider the fact that in every parable of judgment those who were condemned were condemned for a \_\_\_\_\_ to do and not \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 22:1-14  
\_\_\_\_\_ Luke 14:15-24
  - a. In both parables those who were bidden to come didn't.
  - b. Some made excuses.    c. Others just didn't care.
  - d. The easiest way to be lost is to do \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 25:1-13
  - a. Five were wise    b. Five were foolish
  - c. All the virgins put oil in their lamps.
  - d. The five were foolish because they didn't put enough.
    - (1.) They failed to make \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (2.) They tried to barrow.
    - (3.) The wise only had enough for themselves.
  - e. What a powerful lesson this is on each person assuming their individual responsibility toward God.
- 3. The Parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 25:14-30
  - a. The master gave out the talents "each according to their \_\_\_\_\_."
  - b. The five and two talents men went out and produced more talents.    c. The one talent man did \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. His master expected something.
  - e. Because he failed to use his talent he was condemned.

4. The Sheep and The Goats Matthew 25:31-46
    - a. Those on the left-hand were condemned because they failed to help those who were in need.
  5. The \_\_\_\_\_ Luke 12:13-21
    - a. He made the mistake of living only for himself.
    - b. He forgot about God and his fellow-man.
    - c. He made no \_\_\_\_\_ for the life to come.
  6. The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Luke 16:19-31
    - a. The rich man was guilty of the same mistakes the rich farmer made.
    - b. He never once lifted a finger to help Lazarus.
- B. We will be condemned for committing acts of sin, but we will also be condemned for failing to do what is right. James 4:17

II. In Every Age God Has Had A Law For Those Who Would Follow Him

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
  1. They had only one law. Genesis 2:16-17
  2. To obey it would have meant eternal life/a state of perfectness.
  3. Their disobedience brought sin into the world along with death and every bad and evil thing.
- B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_
  1. Noah preached God's righteousness. II Peter 2:5
  2. If they had only listen to his preaching they could have been saved.
  3. But they failed to listen.
- C. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Deuteronomy 11:26-28
  1. This was the responsibility of every individual in Israel.
- D. Today each \_\_\_\_\_ has a \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
  1. The non-Christian has a responsibility to become a child of God.
  2. Every Christian must consider their \_\_\_\_\_ to and their \_\_\_\_\_ toward God.
    - a. That is to put Him first in everything we do.

Conclusion:

- A. God wants \_\_\_\_\_ to be \_\_\_\_\_.
  1. I Timothy 2:4
  2. II Peter 3:9
- B. WE ALL HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD
- C. HAVE YOU ACCEPTED YOUR RESPONSIBILITY?