Dangers To Our Soul

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INTRODUCTION

- As a parent, much of what you try to do is just to help your children survive.
- But this morning I want to talk to you about spiritual dangers. Dangers to our soul.
- Physical exercise was good, but spiritual exercise, exercising ourselves to godliness was far more important.

1 Informational Dangers: Doctrine

2 Timothy 3:16–17; Matthew 6:22–23

- All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.
- That flood of information is dangerous in a few ways. Number one is it's so much harder for us to just have quiet time.
- That flood of information would be far better if it was just all good information. But a lot of it's just garbage. So we need to be careful what floods our minds.
- The lamp of the body is the eye. if your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness.
- The idea of what we put before our eyes or before our ears, what comes into our being is going to be important.

2 Behavioral Dangers

Acts 3:19

- One of the lies the devil tells us, that our behavior doesn't matter. You can do whatever you want. But that's a danger to our soul.
- God cares about our conduct. He cares about what we do and who we are.
- Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that the times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.
- Two conversions take place when we become a child of God. One is instantaneous and powerful. It's a change of status.
- Be converted here, he's talking about change your behavior.
- It's going to be a continuous conversion and struggle as we grow and we develop new and better habits.

3 Emotional Attitude Dangers

Proverbs 23:7

- Behavior matters, yes. But God has never wanted marionettes.

- The IRS wants your money. They don't want your love.
- If you think so, then you don't know God. God has always wanted the heart of his people.
- As a man thinks in his heart, so is he.
- His commandments are not burdensome. They're not burdensome because they come from a place of love.
- If his commandments are burdensome to you, then I challenge you to get closer to God. To love him more.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Would you come to Christ this morning? Would you give your heart to Him?**

MY NOTES