

General Topics :: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin?

Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin?, on: 2011/8/5 3:28

As many of you know i have struggled with much for some time now, but should i be in fear everytime i sin that God is going to hurt me for that sin or punish me physically somehow? I have struggled with this because of my back injury, i felt as if the injury came through because of my sin that now everytime i sin that something worse might happen. I just am so fearful, even after i confess and repent i still feel as if the Lord can forgive me, but i might have to deal with the consequences. I remember the voice of the Lord would softly convict me. I know we should fear the Lord, but should i say for an example fall into lust continuously and struggle getting rid of that sexual lust should i confess and repent again and just know the Lord has let it go to, or should i be fearful?

Re: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin?, on: 2011/8/5 3:58

1Co 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

Why ask if you'll be chastised if you continue in sin when you know His Word? What does His Word say about sin and what does His Word say about 'continuing in sin'?

You teach at your Church - you must know The Word pretty well then.

Re: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin? - posted by brownny, on: 2011/8/5 7:00

Dear brother, in love and concern I will ask you to read these scriptures and please pray and meditate over it. DO NOT PLAY WITH SIN !! It is possible to "play with sin" and to entertain sin and by that giving it a place in your heart.

If you are a believer, make sure Jesus and His Word will get the only place in your heart.

And stretch yourself to this as your first priority.

13 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; 15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you 21 who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

1 Peter 1:13-21

11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, 2 Peter 3:11

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. Hebrews 12:28

Set your heart right for G'd brother!

He is a Holy G'd.

brownny.

Re: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin? - posted by enid, on: 2011/8/5 7:37

Fear it, or expect it?

Re: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin?, on: 2011/8/5 8:09

Brother... did you not read of His bruises? His lacerations? The nails driven thru His hands and feet? He's thirst? His last dying breath?

God's wrath was taken out on His son, not you.

Do we suffer the results of sin? Absolutely. Does God chastise? Absolutely. But you are not thinking scripturally here. You are not under God's wrath, but you are making Him out to be angry with you. He is no longer angry with you if He has regenerated your heart and saved you! That's the Gospel.

Because He took the Father's wrath upon Himself, and because He has chosen to save YOU from the Father's wrath... you should desire holiness in your life, and repent and stop your sin.

Read Romans over and over again until you get it.

Krispy

Re: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin? - posted by Lysa (), on: 2011/8/5 8:17

Jehoshaphat proclaimed A FAST FOR ALL JUDAH. And the people of Judah came together TO SEEK HELP FROM THE LORD;
2 Chronicles 20.3b-4

John,

Bro, do not fear the Lord but SEEK Him; you are fearing the Lord in the wrong way.

And seek Him with fasting. When was the last time you fasted? (Do not answer me here) It seems like you've tried everything else, why not try fasting from food for a couple of days. Do not tell anyone but your wife that you are fasting. And the time that you would take to eat, take that time to read His word and seek His face.

Quote from Derek Prince:

"I believe the essential nature of fasting is renouncing the natural to invoke the supernatural. The most natural thing for us to do is eat. When we give up eating, we are deliberately turning away from the natural by turning to God and the supernatural. This has deep significance."

And in the mean time, why don't you just start fresh AS IF you believe He has forgiven you! Wake up and say, today I am forgiven, I will not walk in fear, if I stumble, I will repent and be forgiven. I will walk in the love of the Lord today.

I HUMBLed my soul WITH FASTING...
Psalm 35.13

then, there at the Ahava river, I PROCLAIMED A FAST; so that we could HUMBLE OURSELVES before our god and ask a safe journey of him for ourselves, our little ones and all our possessions.
Ezra 8.21

God bless you John!
Lisa

Re: - posted by mguldner (), on: 2011/8/5 8:29

Amen to Krispy, I was going to respond but you took the words out of my mouth and wrote them way better than I could. :)

Re: Should we fear chastisement from the Lord if we sin?, on: 2011/8/5 10:25

bible4life, I'll tell you what happened in my own life. Here is a real life example. I have been caught up in sexual sin for about 35 years now. Yes after every "acting out" episode there was the torment of demonic spirits that would make me sick and give me headaches. Also the Holy Spirit was quenched. I would be a vegetable for several days and some days barely able to go to work. Some days I couldn't make it to work.

Well, I've found that as long as you have the desire to get out of this sin, the Lord will have mercy but you will still reap what you sow. We all know how it feels after binging on porn. About 1.5 years ago though, I began to entertain thoughts that I would go to my grave with this sin because I didn't think I could get out of it. Not too long after that the Lord brought me into severe judgment. The Holy Spirit moved away from me, and the Lord doesn't speak to me by His Holy Spirit anymore. I am physically sick now from my illicit activity. I am barely surviving, and each day is a struggle. Will the Holy Spirit ever come back? I don't know. He's been gone for over a year. Was this just chastisement? No, it was chastisement and God's wrath. If you don't stop, you could very well come to the place where the Lord brought me. "For which things sake cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience". It's in the NT, but I can't remember where off the top of my head. So long as you want to keep on playing games with this sin, you run the risk that the Lord may one day say "enough". That doesn't mean you will die or go to hell, but it means you are in for a lot of pain. Heck the Lord didn't even give up on that lady Jezebel in the 3rd chapter of the book of revelations. She was teaching other believers that fornication was OK. The Lord said that unless she would repent that he would cast her on a bed of unbelievable suffering. The Lord said he gave her space to repent of her deeds. This account is either in the 2nd or 3rd chapter of Revelation.

Re: - posted by mikey2, on: 2011/8/5 10:56

Ok, to answer your question directly. Yes! You should fear God's chastisement. Who said it was the same as wrath? It is not. But that does not make it feel any better, does it?

An earthly son does not want to be chastised by his father any more than a heavenly son would want to.

Chastisement is humiliating and painful. Would you rather not humble yourself first or be humbled?

Do you fear sickness? Do you fear loss of loved ones? Do you fear loss of job or reputation amongst the brethren and the world?

God's anger was kindled against His children in the wilderness because of their hardness of heart and stiffneckedness. You deceive yourself if you think God's anger will not be kindled against you in a form of chastisement.

We have created a Father in heaven that is like an earthly father that does not have the heart to inflict pain on his children because it makes HIM (the father) feel bad.

Let me tell you. God the Father is not human or selfish or concerned about His own feelings. He is concerned about you!

He has been raising children for over 6,000 years and will continue to parent like He has always parented. And you are not special and you won't be treated differently.

Now, thank God for Jesus! Because you have an Intercessor where in the OT, there was no heavenly intercessor. Just earthly intercessors and God would hear them sometimes.

But we have a heavenly intercessor who is interceding day and night. But don't take this as false security that you can continue in your sin. Don't push the Father and take advantage of His grace through Jesus Christ. Because in the end, He will do what is right for you. That is what a Father does. He does not withhold punishment from you because it makes Him feel bad. You better get rid of that thinking.

The Fear of the Lord is a clean fear. We do not cower in trepidation but you better fear the Lord because when you stop fearing His hand of chastisement you are in big trouble.

We preach a false God and a false Jesus to the detriment of others.

God can get pretty angry without getting wrathful.

Heb 12:24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

Heb 12:25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

Yes, Moses was a mere man, and Jesus is the Son of God. Much more sore will be your punishment, but before you are completely cast off, God's great mercy as demonstrated through His Son will call you back to Him repeatedly, through words of reasoning but eventually sore chastisement if you persist in your rebellion. If He cannot get your attention through His Words of reasoning He certainly has methods that will get your attention.

Isa 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Isa 1:19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

Isa 1:20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

Isa 1:21 How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers.

Isa 1:22 Thy silver is become dross, thy wine mixed with water:

Isa 1:23 Thy princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards: they judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them.

Isa 1:24 Therefore saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies:

Isa 1:25 And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin:

Isa 1:26 And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.

Isa 1:27 Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.

Isa 1:28 And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners shall be together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.

Yes, if you forsake the Lord, you will be consumed.

Be not deceived!

Christendom thinks because of Jesus they now have this special status with God and that they can do anything.

Mike

We must learn to love discipline. It is the way of life., on: 2011/8/5 11:28

REPROOFS FOR DISCIPLINE ARE THE WAY OF LIFE.

22. "When you walk about, they will guide you;
When you sleep, they will watch over you; And when you awake, they will talk to you.

23. For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching is light; And reproofs for discipline are the way of life."....Proverbs 6.....and....

"You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin! 5 And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons:

“ My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD,
Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him;
For whom the LORD loves He chastens,
And scourges every son whom He receives.”

We will not be received by the Lord, unless we receive and endure His discipline. We are called to be conformed to the living image and Spirit of Christ, and Discipline, through bearing our Cross... , is the only thing that will change us.

Learning to DIE to our Way, and live to His, is at the core of this type of discipline, and is the only way that anyone will EVER mature in Christ.

He who loves discipline, loves life, and this attitude is at the core of loving Jesus, and learning of Him. Eternal implications are in the balance.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

25. He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal.

26 If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also; if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him."...John 12....Jesus

If we refuse the discipline that would convert you to know Him, and reject it, you reject Jesus. Only those who hate their own way, and receive that conforming chastisement, will know Him....even unto life eternal.....

"Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

24Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock."...Jesus...Matthew 7.....

Wisdom dwells in accepting Holy Spirit discipline. It is the only path to knowing Jesus.

Re: Should we fear chastizement from the Lord if we sin? - posted by Renoncer, on: 2011/8/5 13:13

Bible4Life,

Meditate on this passage:

"But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world."
(1 Corinthians 11:31-32)

This passage is giving you two very important truths:

1) If we judged ourselves, the Lord would not have to judge us. His righteous judgment comes one of two ways: Discipline for the believer; punishment (damnation) for the unbeliever. If you are a believer, God calls you to confess your sins (1 John 1:9), put away your old self (Colossian 3:5-9), and pursue holiness (Hebrews 12:14). Now, if you are being especially rebellious for some reason, God will not let you go down that path if you are truly his child (Hebrews 12:5-9). Thus, you will be subjected to His discipline. You want to avoid chastizement? Judge yourself! Go to the Lord immediately for cle

ansing! Keep short accounts. By the Spirit (Romans 8:13), put any sin to death as soon as you notice it creeping up...

2) On the other hand, if we are judged by the Lord (as His children), we should be thankful, because the REASON why God judges us (discipline) is so that "we might NOT BE CONDEMNED with the world"! Hallelujah! You see, God WILL PURIFY his bride. If you have some really powerful strongholds in your life, God will do whatever it takes to set you free and sanctify you (1Thessalonians 5:23-24). Sometimes it goes smoothly; other times, it hurts. But, in the end, we have much reason to be thankful!

So, please meditate on that passage (1Corinthians 11:31-32). You will see that instead of being afraid, you should be thankful. It is for your good that God is doing this. Don't let Satan deceive you into thinking that you are miserable because you are disciplined by God. It's quite the opposite! You are blessed, my friend!

In Christ,
Renoncer

(P.S.: Those who should be afraid are people who can just sin without being convicted nor disciplined. Hebrews 10:26-27; Hebrews 12:8)

Re: - posted by mikey2, on: 2011/8/5 13:18

Quote:
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As strange as it seems, you are blessed by God. We need to walk by faith and not by sight. He may have afflicted you, but it is for your eternal good, not your temporal comfort.

Mike

Re: , on: 2011/8/5 13:54

You see I was doing better from my demonic attacks for a couple of days and felt better and had peace, and even felt the Lord speaking to me more. But, my problem came through a woman at work she is a christian and very nice and actually had done some nice things for me and my wife. She also goes to a very biblical church and i was able to check out his sermons her pastors and it was very deep and what i think i might need. Anyways, she asked me to go to her church and i told her that i could not go unless my wife went which is a good thing. Well anyways my wife ended up saying she wouldn't mind hanging out with her one day. I wanted to let the Lord open the door, but i could not push the door open myself instead of letting the Lord work, and i feel as if now i had lust in my heart towards this girl slightly which made me pursue this a little more i think. But anyways my wife said she wouldn't mind going to this church one day and she really wants to be close friends with this girl, i feel i might have messed up.

Re: - posted by mikey2, on: 2011/8/5 15:01

bible4life,

A lot of people that have medical problems actually need deliverance.

Mike

Re: , on: 2011/8/5 16:15

To answer the original question... you would be a fool not to be afraid of God's chastisement. The main motivating factor that makes chastisement effective is fear and discomfort.

Krispy

Re: , on: 2011/8/5 16:30

The main motivating factor as we mature in Christ that should make chastisement uncomfortable to us, is that we grieve our Lord.

The pain we brought to Him is what is important, not the pain we caused ourselves. That speaks of a mature love and not a selfish love.

This analogy can be seen in marriage and also in raising children.

Respectfully,
Julius

Re: , on: 2011/8/5 18:45

I do fear his chastisement and i want to do the right thing, and submit unto him before it goes too far. Last night i gave t his whole situation to the Lord and said do what you want with it and i am not going to do anymore to mess this up. If th e Lord has my wife and her be friends it is going to be because of Him and not me. Also i found out today that i will be s witching buildings at my work so i will not be working with her any longer, i really didn't do anything but i prayed about it t he other day. So the Lord is already working. The only bad thing is my wife invited her to go to the zoo with us and she i nvited us to six flags, so if those do happen i do hope the Lord would cleanse me of my lust so that i will not fall into this stupid lust. But anyways whatever the Lord wills is what I am going with.

Re: - posted by SolaVeritas, on: 2011/8/5 22:04

Brother, what I understand from your posts is that you are not being open and transparent with your wife and therefore t his sin still has power over you.

Ephesians 5 might be good to read and meditate upon. I pray you will find the liberty and joy of living in the light.

Re: , on: 2011/8/6 2:25

bump

Re: - posted by carters (), on: 2011/8/6 4:07

bible4life,

I would suggest that you gently explain to your wife that even though you wre trying to do the right thing, you are a little a ttracted/lustful towards this woman.

Once you have been truthful, she may wish to not pursue this friendship if it places you into a position where you may si n, by her bringing this new friend around you.

If their friendship is now causing you to sin in your thoughts, you need to be honest with your wife. God not doubt will ho nour you and your wife in this and if the woman needs someone in her life to give her encouragement in the Lord then th e Lord will not leave this woman hung and dry. He will provide for her in another way.

Through Him only,
Sherid

Re: , on: 2011/8/6 13:34

yes i did confess the problem to my wife