

Human Suffering, Injustice and the Christian Response (pt. 5)

Proverbs 24:30-34

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A. Paths toward loss of first love for God and people

1. Allowance of Spiritual Neglect

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- Neglect of spiritual watchfulness

Matt. 26:36-41, Matt. 24:42-44, Prov. 22:3, 1 Tim. 4:16

- Neglect of spiritual disciplines

Acts 2:42, Hebrews 10:23-25

- Neglect of biblically renewing our minds

Rom. 12:1-2, 1 Cor. 14:14-15, Eph. 4:17-24, Phil. 2:1-5

2. Irreverence for the Word of God

- Forget the purpose of the Word

John 5:39, Luke 24:25-27

- Hear the Word without intentional application of the Word

Matt. 7:24-27, James 1:19-25, Psalm 119:4

- Read the Word without meditating upon the Word

Psalm 119:15; 23; 48; 78; 97; 148, Psalm 1:1-2

- Fail to do self-examination by the Word

Psalm 26:2, Psalm 139:23-24, 2 Cor. 13:5