

INTRODUCTION:

1. PREPARING TO HEAR FROM GOD (5:1).

a. We must first understand the centrality of worship.

b. Consider the caution: Watch your step.

c. Consider the command: Be more ready to hear.

d. Consider the contrast: Do not offer the sacrifice of fools.

e. Consider the irony: The fool's worship is evil.

2. APPLICATIONS:

(1) We must prepare ourselves to hear God to reform our lives.

(2) Prepare your heart with prayer.

(3) Prepare your spouse with a gracious spirit.

(4) Prepare your children with exhortation.

(5) Prepare your body with rest.

CONCLUSION: