

# SEVEN DANGER SIGNALS ON THE BROAD WAY MATTHEW 7

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<sup>13</sup> Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: <sup>14</sup> Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Introduction:

Jesus taught that there are two ways, the broad way and the narrow way. The broad way leads to Hell and many are on it. The narrow way leads to Heaven and few are on it. In the Word of God there are a number of warnings found to those who are on the broad way. Let my point you to seven of them:

## **1. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF HARDENING YOUR HEART**

(Hebrews 3:7-8) Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice, {8} Harden not your

hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

(Hebrews 3:15) While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.

(Hebrews 4:7) Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

(Zechariah 7:11-13) But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not hear. {12} Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets: therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts. {13} Therefore it is come to pass, that as he cried, and they would not hear; so they cried, and I would not hear, saith the LORD of hosts:

## **2. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR SOUL**

(Mark 8:36) For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

(Luke 12:16-21) And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: {17} And he thought within himself, saying,

What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? {18} And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. {19} And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. {20} But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? {21} So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.

### **3. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF SPENDING ETERNITY IN HELL**

(Matthew 25:41) Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: (Matthew 25:46) And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

(Revelation 20:11-15) And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. {12} And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. {13} And the sea gave up the dead which were in it;

and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. {14} And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. {15} And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

(Revelation 21:8) But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

### **4. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF MISSING HEAVEN**

(John 8:21) Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.

(John 8:24) I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins.

### **5. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF BEING LEFT WHEN JESUS RETURNS**

(Matthew 24:44) Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. (Luke 21:34-36) And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting,

and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. {35} For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. {36} Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

## **6. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF SUDDEN DEATH**

(Proverbs 29:1) He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

(Job 34:20) In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

## **7. YOU'RE IN DANGER OF CROSSING GOD'S DEAD-LINE**

(Proverbs 1:24-32) Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; {25} But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof: {26} I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; {27} When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. {28} Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek

me early, but they shall not find me: {29} For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: {30} They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof. {31} Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices. {32} For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

(Romans 1:24) Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

(Romans 1:26) For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

(Romans 1:28) And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

(John 12:35-40) Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. {36} While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them. {37} But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet

they believed not on him: {38} That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed? {39} Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again, {40} He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

Conclusion:

It's too dangerous to continue traveling on the broad way. May God help you to "Enter. . . in at the strait gate" by receiving Jesus Chrst as your personal Lord and Savior, for He is the "way, the truth, and the life"

(John 14:6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.