

One Thing Leads To Another

(Jeremiah 6:10-19)

- Introduction:
1. We've all heard of the expression, "The Snowball Effect."
 2. This describes the situation when something small grows into something large.
 3. This very effect has happened in the spiritual lives of people and it can happen to us today if we aren't careful.
 4. Moral sins often lead to a shipwrecked faith and Jeremiah shows us how this happens.

I. The Existence Of Moral Sin

- A. (Jeremiah 26-28).
- B. Notice the nature of these moral failures...deceit that has brought riches, abundance while others do without, lack of compassion for the helpless.
- C. These are not "unthinkable acts," but can be and are commonly practiced if careful attention is not given.
- D. But note how this moral failure leads to the destruction of one's faith.

II. When One Practices Immorality, He Doesn't Love The Truth

- A. (Jeremiah 6:10).
- B. (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12).
- C. We must love the truth above all things (John 8:32).

III. When One Doesn't Love The Truth, He Opens Himself To Error

- A. (Jeremiah 6:14).
- B. (Jeremiah 5:30-31).
- C. When one rejects the truth, he by default, embraces error.

IV. When One Opens Himself To Error, He Sears His Conscience

- A. (Jeremiah 6:15).
- B. (1 Timothy 4:2).
- C. (Ephesians 4:18-19).

V. When One's Sears His Conscience, One Has Destroyed Himself

- A. (Jeremiah 6:16-19).
- B. When the judgment of God comes upon us, we have no one to blame but ourselves.

- Conclusion:
1. If this lesson does nothing else, I hope it has served to show you the connection between faith and morals.
 2. Our morality will be consistent with our faith.
 - a. Our morals will either rise to the level of our faith,
 - b. Or our faith will lower itself to the level of our morals.