
CAUSES OF INDIFFERENCE

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Introduction

- A. **Lamentations 1:1-12**. Jeremiah is lamenting the indifference shown by his people over the destruction of Jerusalem.
- B. **Matthew 23:27**. 600 years later, Jesus was weeping over the same city for same type of attitude.
- C. We should weep today because of indifference. **Hebrews 12:22-24**

Discussion

- A. Indifference is a creeping paralysis.
 - 1. Church at Ephesus left its first love. **Rev 2-3**. Sardis, Laodicea.
 - 2. The change from faithful/zealous to indifferent/unfaithful never occurs overnight.
- B. Basic causes of indifference
 - 1. Fail to make Christianity practical in lives.
 - a. Do we suffer from spiritual malnutrition? **I Peter 2:2**
 - b. Do we exercise unto godliness? **I Tim 4:7-8; II Tim 3:1-5; Romans 12:1-2**
 - 2. Failure of spiritual leadership.
 - a. Absence of a constructive program of Bible teaching.
 - b. Preaching that is not challenging. **II Tim 4:1-5**
 - c. Paul was innocent of the blood. **Acts 20:26-32**
 - d. Services of the church should be instructive, inspirational and reverent.

Conclusion

- A. To kill a congregation, just do nothing. It will die a natural death by indifference.
- B. **Romans 13:11**