

1-Psalms 4:4-Stand in Awe, and sin not:
commune with your own heart upon
your bed, and be still. **Selah.**

1-Awe: First time used in the Bible.

Comes from a Greek word which means:

To be angry, and sin not. A like state-
ment by Paul, Eph. 4:26, Be ye angry and
sin not.

2-Awe: Psalms 33:8-Inhabitants of the world
stand in awe: Means to: Shrink, be afraid

3-Awe: Psalms 119:161-My heart standeth in
awe of thy word: Means to: Fear.

4-Selah: Used 71 time in Psalms and three
times in the book of Habakkuk.

Selah is a Hebrew word and seems to have
identified a Hebrew musical note which
meant to: Pause; Lift up; or Mark this.

5-Selah nowhere has any grammatical connec-
tion with the context.

2-David said, "Mark this: Stand in Awe and sin
not."

1-This morning we use the word AWE in the
sense of fear, so, "The Fear of Sin!"

3-There is no cowardice in being afraid of sin.

1-There is no true courage in daring to break
God's Law and defy God's anger. Joseph was
no coward, but a brave man, when he said,
"How can I do this great wickedness, and
sin against God," Gen 39:9.

4-My proposition: To point out some chief
reasons for cherishing the
fear of sin.

1-FIRST: Because of what sin is in regard
to God.

1-It insults the majesty of God.

2-Sin practically denies the existence of
God. At the very least, It denies the
Authority of God, and heaps scorn on His
warning, "The soul that sinneth, it shall
die," Ezekiel 18:4; 20. 1-SIN GRIEVES GOD,
AND SIN ROBS GOD.

2-Another reason for cherishing the fear of sin
is: Second, reason:

Because of what sin is to the
sinner.

1-Sin actually breaks the inward law of man's
nature.

2-Sin defaces God's image.

3-Sin destroys man's power to know God.

4-People complain that the Bible is over-severe
regarding sin.

5-That the Bible is too hard on human nature in
representing it as fallen, corrupt, dead.

6-THEY FORGET THE REASON: The noble and lofty
view the Bible takes of man.

1-A little lower than the angels; Heb. 2:7..

2-Man is made in the image of God, Gen. 1:27..

3-Man is the offspring of God, Acts 17:29.

4-A ruined hut is no great matter, but a
palace in ruins is a woeful spectacle.

3-The THIRD reason for cherishing the fear of
sin is:

Because of what it does to the sinner.

1-Look about you and see the:

1-The harvest of broken hearts; 2-Ruined lives;
3-blasted hopes; 4-Wasted powers AND desolate
homes, ALL THE RESULT OF SIN.

2-IN ADDITION TO ALL OF THIS LOOK ABOUT AND SEE:

1-The disease; agony; despair, death; which
sin sows and reaps every day.

3-We sometimes gloss the vilest sin over by
saying, "He is only sowing his wild oats."

HIS WILD OATS DID YOU SAY:

1-Where did he get them?

2-Who gave him leave to steal them?

3-What will the harvest be? and who will
reap them? YOU SAY, "He will come about all
right by-and-by. Suppose he does, WILL THOSE
COME RIGHT WHOM HE HAS HELPED TO MISLEAD AND
RUIN. The blood of Christ required to cleanse from
sin. His blood shed on the Cross, so I point you
to: The Cross the mightiest persuader to
"stand in awe, and sin not."

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