

BE CAREFUL LITTLE EARS

SCRIPTURE:

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ (Romans 10: 17).

MATERIALS LIST:

(1) Hearing Protection

MAIN MESSAGE:

By protecting our hearing from the bad of this world, and being more concerned with the Word of God, we will be more what God would have us to be.

SONG: "Victory In Jesus"

LESSON:

My son and I went with my brother in-law to have what we called "MAN CAMP." It was a time to let loose and have fun while relaxing away from all the stress of work. Like any kind of "Man Camp," when men are hanging out with their buddies in the middle of nowhere, there is always one thing that is there on those trips. Guns! Oh yeah there is always time to have fun shooting something! My brother in-law brought his 44 magnum and I could hear him shooting it off in the distance while my cousin and I were out shooting our shot guns. Naturally, I walked over to see what he was shooting. This was his brand new 44 mag pistol revolver, and right when I saw it, I had to shoot it. I started to hold the gun up and aim for my target when my brother in-law asked me if I wanted to get some hearing protection. Because I am the hard headed guy that I am, I said, "nah I don't need those I'll be fine," to which he replied, "okay." The next thing I knew, I shot the gun and instantly all I could hear was a very loud ring. That wasn't the smartest thing I have ever done.

The whole point to this story is that if I would have worn hearing protection, I would not have felt like my ear drums were going to explode. It is the same way with everything that we hear in this world. With all the filthiness surrounding us on a daily basis, we must learn to not only not retain the bad we hear, but to do everything we can to not hear it in the first place. Keeping our ears pure will in turn help us from being desensitized, and it will help us in our walk with God.

In the home, there are a lot of ways that Satan is attacking our homes and one of the major ways that he is able to do so is with what we hear: TV, Radio, Mom, Dad, friends, relatives, music, movies, etc... The list goes on and on and on. Protecting our ears and the ears of our children is protecting our minds from the harmful ways of the world that society has deemed ok.

PRAYER: That we may keep our ears pure so that our hearts and our minds may stay pure.