

What is the meaning of "PRESUMPTUOUS?"

According to Webster, "PRESUMPTUOUS" means:

"BEING OVERLY FORWARD OR CONFIDENT OR ARROGANT."

Being Presumptuous Is Dangerous

•When a person is presumptuous with regards to sin they place themselves in an extremely dangerous position.

• We know that Jesus died and is the propitiation for sins. However, He did not die so that we could deliberately and willfully become partakers of sin. The bible addresses the consequence of sinning willfully.

The Consequence of Presumptuous Sin

Hebrews 10:26-29 says;

- "For if we go on deliberately and willfully sinning after once acquiring the knowledge of the Truth, there is no longer any sacrifice left to atone for [our] sins [no further offering to which to look forward]."
- "[There is nothing left for us then] but a kind of awful and fearful prospect and expectation of divine judgment and the fury of burning wrath and indignation which will consume those who put themselves in opposition [to God]."
- "Any person who has violated and [thus] rejected and set at naught the Law of Moses is put to death without pity or mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses."
- "How much worse (sterner and heavier) punishment do you suppose he will be judged to deserve who has spurned and [thus] trampled underfoot the Son of God, and who has considered the covenant blood by which he was consecrated common and unhallowed, thus profaning it and insulting and outraging the [Holy] Spirit [Who imparts] grace (the unmerited favor and blessing of God)?"

The "I" Attitude

God also indicates what He thinks of the "I" attitude of those who sin presumptuously and have the audacity to criticize others.

2 Peter 2:10 states:

- "And particularly those who walk after the flesh and indulge in the lust of polluting passion and scorn and despise authority. Presumptuous [and] daring [self-willed and self-loving creatures]! They scoff at and revile dignitaries (glorious ones) without trembling."
- "Whereas [even] angels, though superior in might and power, do not bring a defaming charge against them before the Lord."
- "But these [people]! Like unreasoning beasts, mere creatures of instinct, born [only] to be captured and destroyed, railing at things of which they are ignorant, they shall utterly perish in their [own] corruption [in their destroying they shall surely be destroyed]"

Don't Be Presumptuous Regarding Sin

• It is vitally important that no presumptions be made with regards to sin.

•When confronted with a sinful act, don't try to excuse or justify an act of deliberate or willful sin by saying, "The devil made me do it," or "I just couldn't help myself," or "Everybody does it."

•Don't misuse the scriptures as a way out by saying "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone."

Pray Not To Be Presumptuous

Don't be presumptuous. Do as David did according to Psalms 19:13. Send up this prayer and say:

"Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then shall I be blameless, and I shall be innocent and clear of great transgression."



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