



"The Road to Depravity"

Romans 9:18

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The sovereign will of God...

1. ...gives mercy to His _____ . 1Pe 1:3

"So then *He has mercy on whom He wills*, and *He hardens whom He wills*." - Rom 9:18

2. ...hardens the hearts of the _____ .

The _____ hardens Pharaoh's heart. 9xs - Exo 7:3

- ""But **I will harden Pharaoh's heart** that I may multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt." - Exo 7:3.
- ""Thus **I will harden Pharaoh's heart**, and he will chase after them; and I will be honored through Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD." And they did so." - Exo 14:4

1) The heart is _____ when...

1) God _____ it to be hardened. - Rom 9:18

2) God's _____ is disregarded. - Her 4:7

"He again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David after so long a time just as has been said before, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, **DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS**.""

3) ...men _____ God with unbelief. - Her 3:8

"DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS AS **WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME**, AS IN THE DAY OF TRIAL IN THE WILDERNESS," - Heb 3:8

4) ...men rebel against the _____ of His word. - Her 3:15

"while it is said, "TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS, AS WHEN THEY PROVOKED ME."" - Heb 3:15

5) ...men are _____ by sin. - Heb 3:13

"But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is [still] called "Today," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin." - Heb 3:13

2) The _____ for the hardened heart.

1) Men _____ the truth. - Rom 1:18

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of **men** who **suppress the truth in unrighteousness**," - Rom 1:18

2) Men _____ their hearts. - Rom 1:21

"For even though they knew God, **they did not honor Him as God or give thanks**, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened." - Rom 1:21

heart scarab - Conscience guard

Heart scarabs were placed inside the Egyptian mummy close to the heart. A person's biggest fear was that **their heart would speak out against them during the final judgement**. So a magical spell (Chapter 30B of the Book of the Dead) written on the scarab silenced the heart and guaranteed entry into the Afterlife.

3) Men exchange God's _____ for idols. - Rom 1:22-23

"Professing to be wise, they became fools, and **exchanged the glory of** the incorruptible **God for an image** in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures." - Rom 1:22-23

4) Men exchange _____ of God for a lie. - Rom 1:25

"For they **exchanged the truth of God for a lie**, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen." - Rom 1:25

5) Men do not _____ God. - Rom 1:28-29

"And just as **they did not see fit to acknowledge God** any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper, being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malice; [they are] gossips,"

6) Men _____ and _____ wicked things. - Rom 1:32

"and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them."

3) God's _____ to the hardened heart.

1) God gives men over to the _____ of their hearts. - Rom 1:24

"Therefore **God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity**, so that **their bodies** would be **dishonored** among them." - Rom 1:24

2) God gives them over to _____ . - Rom 1:26

"For this reason **God gave them over to degrading passions**; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural," - Rom 1:26

3) God gives them over to a _____ . - Rom 1:28

"And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, **God gave them over to a depraved mind**, to do those things which are not proper," - Rom 1:28

3. ...is in _____ with men and angels.

"But Pharaoh said, **"Who is the LORD that I should obey His voice** to let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, and besides, I will not let Israel go."" - Exo 5:2

4. ...does not _____ anyone but all are _____ .

- "Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God"; for **God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.**" - Jas 1:13
- "Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness **to be tempted by the devil.**" - Mat 4:1

1) Satan attacks Job's _____ .

"Is it for nothing that Job fears God?" - Job 1:9

"Then the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, **all that he has is in your power**, only do not put forth your hand on him." So Satan departed from the presence of the LORD." - Job 1:12

(1) _____ - oxen & donkeys taken servants slain. - Job 1:14-15

(2) _____ from heaven - burned up the sheep and the servants. - Job 1:16

(3) _____ - took camels & slew the servants. - Job 1:17

(4) _____ - house fell & sons & daughters died. - Job 1:18-19

2) Satan attacks Job's _____ .

"Skin for skin! Indeed, a man will give up all that he has to save his life!" - Job 2:4 NET

"So the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, **he is in your power**, only spare his life."" - Job 2:6

(1) Jobe is smote with sore _____ . - Job 2:7

(2) Wife _____ job to curse God and die. - Job 2:9

(3) Friends " _____ " Job. - Job 2:11

3) Will you _____ God's judgment? - Job 40:7-14

"Now gird up your loins like a man; I will ask you, and you instruct Me. **"Will you really annul My judgment? Will you condemn Me that you may be justified?"** "Or do you have an arm like God, And can you thunder with a voice like His? "Adorn yourself with eminence and dignity, And clothe yourself with honor and majesty. "Pour out the overflowings of your anger, And look on everyone who is proud, and make him low. "Look on everyone who is proud, [and] humble him, And tread down the wicked where they stand. "Hide them in the dust together; Bind them in the hidden [place.] "Then I will also confess to you, That your own right hand can save you."

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