CONSIDERATION FOR THE SPIRITUAL

Isaiah 1: 2 – 4
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INTRODUCTION: The meaning of the word "Consideration" is: To think deliberately.

1. We learn from the text that Israel was an inconsiderate people.
2. God said the ox, when he is hungry, knows where to get his food, and that he is dependent on another.
3. But, with Israel that was not so.
4. Animals have instinct and man has the power of reason; he can consider.
5. Satan wants man to act without forethought and consideration.
6. Satan wants man to act from impulse, feeling and passion.
7. The great mass of mankind lives without thought and consideration of the eternal.
8. Let us look at some of the important subjects of that which man must give consideration, if he is going to be saved.

I. MAN SHOULD CONSIDER THE CHARACTER AND WILL OF GOD.
1. God’s works should lead us to consider this – Psa. 19:1; Psa. 8: 1 – 9.
2. When you see a beautiful piece of man’s work, your thoughts go to the man that produced it.
3. The grandeur of the divine works surrounds you and me – ought we not to consider the Creator?
5. Consider – You are ever before His eyes – Heb. 4:13.
6. Consider – God is great, wise, holy, just, and all powerful, and his love and favor are HEAVEN – John 14: 1 – 6.

II. WE SHOULD CONSIDER OURSELVES.
1. Where did we come from?
2. Where are we going?
   b. The Judgment – 2 Cor. 5:10.
      i. Heaven – Righteous
      ii. Hell – Wicked
3. What is our duty?
   a. To seek God – Acts 17:27.
   b. To hear Christ – Matt. 17:5.

III. WE SHOULD CONSIDER OUR SPIRITUAL STATE BEFORE GOD.
1. Do I stand before God condemned or accepted by God today???
2. Am I an Alien or a Son???

IV. WE SHOULD CONSIDER THE IMPORTANCE OF LIFE.
1. Life is the “seed-time” for eternity – the only opportunity of securing eternal blessings.
3. Don’t waste life, live it up to the fullest as God would have you live.

V. WE SHOULD CONSIDER THE GREAT CONCERNS OF ETERNITY
4. Eternity itself – THINK ABOUT IT.

VI. WE SHOULD CONSIDER THAT SALVATION WHICH WILL FIT US FOR LIVING, DYING, AND ETERNITY.
1. The SALVATION the grace of God has provided – Tit. 2:11–12; Eph. 2:8–9.
2. The SALVATION obtained by Jesus Christ – Eph. 2:13–16.
4. The SALVATION from the guilt of sin – Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16.
5. The SALVATION that gives us hope of eternal life – Tit. 1:2; I John 2:25.

CONCLUSION