

THE VITALS OF A DISCIPLE

Isaiah 59:1-8

1 Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; Neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: 2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, And your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. 3 For your hands are defiled with blood, And your fingers with iniquity; Your lips have spoken lies, Your tongue hath muttered perverseness. 4 None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: They trust in vanity, and speak lies; They conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity. 5 They hatch cockatrice' eggs, And weave the spider's web: He that eateth of their eggs dieth, And that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper. 6 Their webs shall not become garments, Neither shall they cover themselves with their works: Their works are works of iniquity, And the act of violence is in their hands. 7 Their feet run to evil, And they make haste to shed innocent blood: Their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; Wasting and destruction are in their paths. 8 The way of peace they know not; And there is no judgment in their goings: They have made them crooked paths: Whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.

14 And judgment is turned away backward, And justice standeth afar off: For truth is fallen in the street, And equity cannot enter.

SERMON NOTES

Check Your DIET | Isaiah 59:1-8, 13-14

Main Idea: A disciple's spiritual diet determines their health. Feed on truth and you'll grow strong; feed on lies and you'll grow weak.

1. The Symptom — A Malnourished Faith [vss. 1-2]

The fruit of our own is not a sufficient source _____. [Prov. 1:24]

- Unmistakable fact: God could save them!! Sin has not weakened God's arm or ear, but hardened their _____.

They had...

_____ Hands [v. 3]

_____ Lips/Tongue: [v. 3]

_____ Heart: [Jer. 17:9; Matt. 12:34]

2. The Diagnosis — A Deadly Diet [vss. 5-6]

They were feeding on a diet of _____: devilish lies and philosophies being hatched.

Eight cultural lies (snake eggs) we're swallowing:

- 1) The Bible is not _____.
- 2) There is no _____.
- 3) There are no moral _____.
- 4) The universe began by a blind, random _____.
- 5) Marriage/family are _____.
- 6) Any form of sexual practice that doesn't harm others will be _____.
- 7) Abortion is simply the _____ of a woman's right to choose.
- 8) The purpose of life is to _____ and get stuff.

"These eggs were hatched in hell's incubators." - Adrian Rogers

2. The Cure — A Steady Diet of Truth [vs. 14]

The number one job in America ought to be to put _____ back on her feet.

- **Truth will: SAVE, SATISFY, SANCTIFY, and SECURE** you

Rededicate your life to the truth. Parents, teach your children to live the truth, to tell the truth, and to believe the truth.

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- Bill Monroe