

The Deaf Adder!

“4 Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: they are like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ear; 5 Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming never so wisely.” (Psalm 58:4-5 KJV)

A serpent will have a deadly poison that will kill the victim after they bite. Therefore, in certain cultures they will use music or some other art, in which they have a way of charming the serpent. So when they play the music, they will distract the attention of the serpent from biting, so meanwhile they will use the time either to destroy the serpents or at least disable them to do mischief.

Certain wicked people are like the deadly serpents, they are so malicious and when they speak they wage war and destroy souls and people life. They are so dangerous that even the method of charming them to distract their attention from destroying will not be effective.

The psalmist even describe them further and in more clear way as the deaf adder or viber; this deaf adder would lay one ear to the ground and stop the other with her tail, so that she could not hear the voice of the enchantment, and so defeated the intention of it and secured herself. That is the way how they resist any trial to prevent them from biting and harming people by their poisons.

The deaf adder is to illustrate the obstinacy of sinners in their sinful way. God's design, in his word and providence, is to cure serpents of their malignity; to this end how wise, how powerful, how well-chosen are the charms! How forcible the right words! But all in vain with most men; and what is the reason? It is because they will not hearken when they have stopped their ears?

In the book of Zechariah also mentioned the stooping of the ears when God instructed His people to do what is good and right, “8 And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying, 9 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment, and shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother: 10 And oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor; and let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart. 11 But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not hear. 12 Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets: therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts.” (Zechariah 7:8-12 KJV) They stopped their ears and refuse to listen to the instruction of the word of God therefore wrath from the Lord came upon them.

In the book of Acts it is mentioned how the Jews stopped their ears when they heard the Sermon of Stephen. It happened this way: “51 Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye. 52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers: 53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept it. 54 When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart*, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. 55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, 56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. 57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, 58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. 59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. 60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.” (Avts 7:51-60 KJV)

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My Prayer

Father God, I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross to give me eternal life. Lord uphold me with your grace, protect me from the evil one. Lord gives me wisdom and discernment how to be away from people who are so dangerous and malicious. Lord I surrender myself to your will. I ask you to lead me to do what is right and good. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.

**The Lord
Is
My Shepherd**

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