

AVOIDING THE RULE OF SIN

PSALM 19:12-14

Introduction:

Alexander Maclaren really helped me with these verses. He help me benefit from this prayer of David.

I. THERE IS A DANGER TO AVOID

The Psalmist is aware of the danger of sliding downward into open rebellion against God. He points to four steps downward in this fall.

1. Secret faults.
2. Presumptuous sins
3. Dominion of sin.
4. Great transgression.

II. THERE IS HELP AVAILABLE IN AVOIDING SIN.

1. The Lord can restrain us.
2. The Lord can deliver us.

III. THERE IS AN EXPECTATION TO CULTIVATE.

1. The expectation of righteous character.
2. The expectation of pleasing God in thought and word.