

NAKEDNESS

I. National Nakedness, Prov 29:18 *Start with 432.*

- A. Cause, no rev from God. Bec 1. God doesn't give, 1Sam 3:1; 2. false substituted, Jer 14:14; 1Tim 4:1; 3. man doesn't hear what is there (Law, NT), 18 b. "he" and nation
- B. Consequence, no restraint, ungovernable, unruly,
- C. Illustration. =naked, Exod 32:25. Moses delay, not 6 weeks Aaron's failure as leader, 1-2. Wrong leadership 4-5.
- Result: perverted religion, 5. "to the Lord." That he could control it by compromise. Immorality, 6 and intoxication. Play=sex play, Gen 26:8. and dancing, 19. Loss of testimony derision, lit whispered.=ridiculed. Note: perversion of rel led to abandonment of morals led to ruination of testimony. Aaron, v4, 24, Deut 9:20. 2 Tim 3, perversion, v5; abandonment, 1-4; ruination, 9. Idolatry, 1 Cor 9:7 on part of rel people in nation. Today worship of exis exp=self.

II. Ecclesiastical Nakedness, Rev 3:17

- A. City. 100 mi E Eph. Wealth from 1. banking. Cicero made trip thru east in AD 61, cashed letters of credit there. 2. from prod of special wool cloth. 3. from medicines incld salve for eyes.
- B. Church. Independent, 17. Indifferent to needs. Tolerated lukewarm (professing). Cold=unsaved. Hot=saved. Naked=destitute, bare in God's sight.
- C. Cure. 20. Let X in and enjoy His fellowship. (In individual heart and into ch). Brkst= bread & wine. Lunch, light meal eaten in square. Dinner was long and sumptuous with conversation.
- Nakedness=independence. Substituting reliance on things for fellowship with God.

III. Personal nakedness, Heb. 4:13

- A. What is it? The Word operating to lay bare and be a critic, 12. It is a desirable openness to the Word and God.
- B. Result, 13. Good account at day of judgment.
- Nakedness is indifference or insensitivity to Word.

Concl. Prov 29:18 I.A.