

BEWARE

God told the Israelites to **beware** of the Angel that He sent before them. (It seems the angel was a preincarnate appearance of Jesus.)

- **Exodus 23:20-21:** "Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared. Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my name is in him."

God commanded the Israelites to **beware** that they didn't forget Him once they were in Canaan, and ate and were full.

- **Deuteronomy 6:10-12:** "And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; Then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage."

The Israelites were commanded to **beware** lest they forgot God and didn't keep His commandments and statutes and judgments.

- **Deuteronomy 8:11:** "Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this

day:"

Elihu told Job to **beware**, lest God kill him in His wrath (because Job had claimed to be more righteous than God).

- **Job 36:18:** "Because there is wrath, beware lest he take thee away with his stroke: then a great ransom cannot deliver thee."

We must **beware** of false prophets.

- **Matthew 7:15:** "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves."

Jesus warned His disciples to **beware** of other people.

- **Matthew 10:17:** "But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;"

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- **Matthew 16:6:** "Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees."
- **Matthew 16:11:** "How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?"
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We must **beware** of the teachings of the Pharisees (who taught people to obey the commandments of men instead of the commandments of God).

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When Jesus warned His disciples to **beware** of the leaven (teachings) of the Sadducees and Pharisees, they thought it was because they had forgotten to take bread. (They completely misunderstood what Jesus told them.)

- **Matthew 16:6-7:** "Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees. And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have taken no bread."

After the Pharisees of Dalmanutha demanded a sign, Jesus commanded His disciples to **beware** of the Pharisees (and Herod as well).

- **Mark 8:10-11, 15:** "And straightway he entered into a ship with his disciples, and came into the parts of Dalmanutha. And the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, seeking of him a sign from heaven, tempting him. ... And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the leaven of Herod."

Jesus told people to **beware** of the scribes.

- **Mark 12:38:** "And he said unto them in his doctrine, Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces,"
- **Luke 20:46:** "Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;"

We must **beware** of hypocrites.

- **Luke 12:1:** "In the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy."

We must **beware** of covetousness.

- **Luke 12:15:** "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

Paul warned the people of the synagogue to **beware**. (He didn't want them to reject the gospel in unbelief.)

- **Acts 13:40-41:** "Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets; Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you."

Paul told the church exactly what to **beware** of. He didn't give them vague warnings.

- **Philippians 3:2:** "Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision."

We must **beware** of anything that seeks to draw us away from the gospel.

- **Colossians 2:8:** "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

Paul told Timothy to **beware** of Alexander, because he was doing evil.

- **2 Timothy 4:14-15:** "Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works: Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words."