

Lion Living

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Ready:

The wicked flee when no one is pursuing them, but the righteous are as bold as a lion.—Proverbs 28:1

Set

Wicked people live life with their heads on a swivel—looking for anybody or anything that might be after them. They might even sleep with one eye open! They live restlessly and peace is a foreign object. On the outside, these people may look like they have it all together, but inside their lives are complete messes. They only know wickedness, so they suspect everybody is just like them. Hence, they run even when no one is pursuing them.

Righteous people, on the other hand, are as wild as lions—on the hunt, bold, and fearless. Their heads move about too, but they aren't being hunted. They are the hunters. They have a target they aim to hit no matter the obstacles or enemy attacks. Lions cruise without fear because they know they have power to overcome. The righteous individual doesn't fear anybody because others can only hurt the body, not the soul, where our real selves dwell.

God compares us to lions when we become members of His family. We should embrace this paradigm and make it a part of our core. We should be wild! We should be strong. We should out-hustle, out-work, out-live, and out-last! We should quit worrying about the wicked and being fearful of them. We have clarity. We have hope. We have power. We have meaning. So, go wild you competitor, and live life as a lion for Jesus!

Go

1. What does a wicked person get involved with?
2. What does a righteous person get involved with?
3. Why would God want us to be compared to lions?

Workout

Extra Reading: Psalm 1; Romans 5

Overtime

Father, help me to roar like a lion and remove the wickedness within me. Let me shine as a righteous man and compete as one who overcomes the obstacles. Where I fall short, let me aim for lion-type living through the truth of the Word. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Bible Reference:

Romans 5



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