

Ps: 116.15—There are a few psalms in the whole collection that are more instructive or animating than this, it is a song of thanksgiving, composed probably by David but whether on some particular occasion, or upon a general review of the many gracious deliverances, God had brought for him is not clear. He seems honored when he wrote it to have had an affecting sense of Gods goodness to him, & under a lively impression of it. He utters delightful praise and thanksgiving to God in the following language—

- I. Who are meant here by saints---
 1. We turn his “saints” here it is said may be rendered his merciful ones, or subject of his mercy
 2. They are the object of his mercy, not only of his sharing but of his pardoning mercy---they have turned to him by repentance therefore they are in et (Phil III.9 1Pet: II:10)
 3. They are the subjects of his mercy---Luke I.78.79 1Pet. I.3.4 Eph:II:10.
 4. They are (?) of his mercy

Luke 8 ch:10. This caution is an inference from the preceding parable of the sower-- In the parallel passage of S2 it is take heed what ye hear (ch=IV.24)—we shall explain and enforce the caution in both these senses.

- I. Take heed what ye hear.

This concerns both preachers & hearers.

1. Ministers should take heed what they preach---that their doctrine be true---important---suitable---“rightly divide the word”---
2. Hearers should take heed what they hear. They must not take it for granted what they hear is true & G---Bring it to the test of the Holy scriptures---They should read the scriptures—
3. They must take heed to the doctrine if be scriptural---

- II. Take heed how ye hear.

1. Not inattentively & without (?) and do not meditate upon the word--- Hence many receive the word like the seed which fell by the way side.
2. Take heed that you do not rest satisfied with ineffectual & transient impressions & fall away in time of trial---but have “root in yourself.”
3. Guard against the cures of the world & G. The pernicious weeds which choke the word.

But heed---

1. with simplicity of intention
2. with sincerity of heart (desiring to know the truth)
3. with humility
4. with reverence---in Gods house & under his eye)
5. with seriousness

6. with attention
7. prayed
8. with faith
9. Resolution—“(?) of the word”