

## *VERSES ON NEGATIVE VOLITION*

**1 Chronicles 28:9** 9 ... You, Solomon my son, know the God of your father [David] and serve him with a whole heart and with a willing mind, for Yahweh searches all hearts and understands every plan and thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will cast you off forever.

**2 Chronicles 24:17-20** 17 ... After the death of Jehoiada the princes of Judah came and paid homage to the king [Joash]. Then the king listened to them. 18 And they abandoned the house of Yahweh, the God of their fathers, and served the Asherim and the idols. And wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this guilt of theirs. 19 Yet he sent prophets among them to bring them back to Yahweh. These testified against them, but they would not pay attention. 20 Then the Spirit of God clothed Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, and he stood above the people and said to them, Thus says God, Why do you break the commandments of Yahweh, so that you cannot prosper? Because you have forsaken Yahweh, he has forsaken you.

**Proverbs 1:24-33** 24 Because I have called and you refused to listen, have stretched out my hand and no one has heeded, 25 because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, 26 I also will laugh at your calamity. I will mock when terror strikes you, 27 when terror strikes you like a storm and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. 28 Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer. They will seek me diligently but will not find me. 29 Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of Yahweh, 30 would have none of my counsel and despised all my reproof, 31 therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and have their fill of their own devices. 32 For the simple are killed by their turning away, and the complacency of fools destroys them. 33 But whoever listens to me will dwell secure and will be at ease, without dread of disaster.

**Proverbs 3:33-35** 33 Yahweh's curse is on the house of the wicked, but he blesses the dwelling of the righteous. 34 Toward the scornful he is scornful, but to the humble he gives favour. 35 The wise will inherit honour, but fools get disgrace.

**Proverbs 29:1** 1 He who is often reproofed, yet stiffens his neck, will suddenly be broken beyond healing.

**Isaiah 6:9-10** 9 ... [The Lord] said, Go, and say to this people: Keep on hearing, but do not understand. Keep on seeing, but do not perceive. 10 Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes, lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed.

**Isaiah 66:4** 4 I [Yahweh] ... will choose harsh treatment for them and bring their fears upon them, because when I called, no one answered, when I spoke, they did not listen. But they did what was evil in my eyes and chose that in which I did not delight.

**Jeremiah 6:16** 16 Thus says Yahweh: Stand by the roads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is, and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk in it.

**Jeremiah 6:19** 19 Hear, O earth! Behold, I am bringing disaster upon this people, the fruit of their devices, because they have not paid attention to my words. And as for my law, they have rejected it.

**Jeremiah 35:15-17** 15 I have sent to you [Israel] all my servants the prophets, sending them persistently saying, Turn now every one of you from his evil way, amend your deeds, and do not go after other gods to serve them, and then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to you and your fathers. But you did not incline your ear or listen to me. 16 The sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have kept the command that their father gave them, but this people has not obeyed me. 17 Therefore, thus says Yahweh, the God of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold, I am bringing upon Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the disaster that I have pronounced against them, because I have spoken to them and they have not listened, I have called to them and they have not answered.

**Zephaniah 3:1-7** 1 Woe to her who is rebellious and defiled, the oppressing city! 2 She listens to no voice; she accepts no correction. She does not trust in Yahweh. She does not draw near to her God. 3 Her officials within her are roaring lions. Her judges are evening wolves that leave nothing till the morning. 4 Her prophets are fickle, treacherous men. Her priests profane what is holy. They do violence to the Torah. 5 Yahweh within her is righteous. He does no injustice. Every morning he shows forth his justice. Each dawn he does not fail. But the unjust knows no shame. ...7 I said, Surely you will fear me. You will accept correction. Then your dwelling would not be cut off according to all that I have appointed against you. But all the more they were eager to make all their deeds corrupt.

**Zechariah 7:9-14** 9 Thus says Yahweh of hosts, Render true judgments, show kindness and mercy to one another, 10 do not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the sojourner, or the poor, and let none of you devise evil against another in your heart. 11 But they refused to pay attention, turned a stubborn shoulder, and stopped their ears that they might not hear. 12 They made their hearts diamond-hard lest they should hear the Torah and the words that Yahweh of hosts had sent by his Spirit through the former prophets. Therefore great anger came from Yahweh of hosts. 13 As I called, and they would not hear, so they called, and I would not hear, says Yahweh of hosts, 14 and I scattered them with a whirlwind among all the nations that they had not known. Thus the land they left was desolate, so that no one went to and fro, and the pleasant land was made desolate.

**Matthew 10:14-15** 14 ...If anyone will not receive you [disciples] or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. 15 Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

**Matthew 22:2-7** 2 The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son 3 and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast,

but they would not come. 4 Again he sent other servants saying, Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast. 5 But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. 7 The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

**Luke 14:16-24** 16 ...A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. 17 And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, Come, for everything is now ready. 18 But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused. 19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused. 20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. 21 So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry.... 24 I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.

**John 5:40** 40 ...Yet you [Jewish leaders] refuse to come to me [Jesus] that you may have life.

**John 9:39-40** 39 Jesus said to [the formerly blind beggar], For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind. 40 Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things and said to him, Are we also blind? 41 Jesus said to them, If you were blind, you would have no guilt. But now that you say, We see, your guilt remains.

**Acts 13:46** 46 ...Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly saying, It was necessary that the word of God be spoken first to you. Because you thrust it aside and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles.

**Acts 18:6** 6 ...When [the Jews of Corinth] opposed and reviled [Paul], he shook out his garments and said to them, Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent. From now on I will go to the Gentiles.

**Acts 28:24-27** 24 ...Some [Jews in Rome] were convinced by what [Paul] said, but others disbelieved. 25 And disagreeing among themselves, they departed after Paul had made one statement: The Holy Spirit was right in saying to your fathers through Isaiah the prophet: 26 Go to this people and say, You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive. 27 For this people's heart has grown dull, with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed; lest they should see with their eyes, hear with their ears, and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.

**Romans 11:8-10** 8 ...As it is written, God gave [Israel] a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day. 9 And David says, Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them. 10 Let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see, and bend their backs forever.

**1 Corinthians 1:18-29** 18 ...The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart. 20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? 21 For because, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. 22 For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, 23 but we preach Messiah crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Messiah the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. 26 For consider your calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. 27 But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise. God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong. 28 God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, 29 so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.

**2 Corinthians 2:14-16** 14 ...Thanks be to God, who in Messiah always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere [God's general call]. 15 For we [apostles] are the aroma of Messiah to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, 16 to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things?

**2 Thessalonians 2:9-12** 9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power, false signs, and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, 12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.