

A Spiritual Disease: Dull of Hearing

Hebrews 5:11

Symptoms of
Disease: Drifting (2:1)
Neglect (2:3)
Letting go (3:6, 14)
No Fear of God (4:1)

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Dull of Hearing ...

- Slow, sluggish, no zeal, no urgency.
- Diligent versus sluggish (dull). (Hebrews 6:11-12)
- Diligence is a zeal that moves one speedily to do the will of God. (Ephesians 4:3; Galatians 2:10; 2 Corinthians 8:7; 2 Peter 1:5)

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- Leads to FALLING AWAY (Hebrews 6:5-6; 10:31)

Dull of Hearing Remedy

- Be urgent in using our time to mature spiritually: babe to full-grown men. (Hebrews 5:13-14)
- Be urgent in exercising the senses to discern good and evil. (Hebrews 5:14; John 7:24)
- Long for, taste, and savor the faithful word of God as a babe. (1 Peter 2:2-3; Psalms 34:8)