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In Trust With The Gospel

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## We Must Give an Account

[Act 20:26 KJV] 26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I [am] pure from the blood of all [men].

What is Paul talking about? Next verse.

[Act 20:27 KJV] 27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

Could he be referring to an old testament principle?

[Eze 3:18 KJV] 18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked [man] shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

Is there any further new testament evidence to support this principle?

[Heb 13:7, 17 KJV] 7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of [their] conversation. ... 17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that [is] unprofitable for you.

Acts 20, Eze 3 and Heb 13 agree with each other.

The man that is called of God had better being taking his responsibility seriously. The temporal welfare of the souls of God's people is at stake. It's not a game.

That is why it is expedient to speak out against the evil God's people are running headlong into.

Paul spoke all the counsel of God. Why? To save your life.