

Rattlesnake Warnings...

The rattlesnake is a large desert reptile with a bad reputation. Usually the snake stays way from people; but if someone comes near the rattler, it will hold its tail upright and shake the end. There are several hollow rattles on the end of the snake's tail made of material just like your fingernails. When the snake shakes these, they make a buzzing sound that means, "Danger! Stay Away!" If the rattlers' warning is ignored, the snake will strike out and bite with poisonous fangs. The poison can make a person very sick. Some people even die from rattlesnake bites. If you ever hear a rattlesnake's warning, be sure to get away fast.

God doesn't want us to be hurt because we do not know about danger. That is why he gives us many warnings in the Bible. Just like the rattle of the rattlesnake, God's warnings tell us to stay away from things that are harmful. He tells us to stay away from lying, from stealing, from being selfish, and from being mean to others. If we follow God's warnings, we will be happier and safer. God warns us of these dangers because he loves us.



A prudent person foresees the danger ahead and takes precautions; the simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences. Proverbs 22:3

