

LOCOWEED

Locoweed kills horses and livestock in an unusual manner. It is attractive when most of the good foliage is still dead and dry. Once it has been eaten, the animals develop an addiction for it and will only eat locoweed. Symptoms don't usually start to appear until after the animal has been grazing it for several weeks. It destroys the heart, the brain and the animal eating it will starve to death. Once an animal starts grazing on this, if it is kept from it and forced on a proper diet, it will even more easily fall prey to its addiction the next time.

False doctrine parallels this poisonous herb. It's often presented in a tantalizing manner that makes it look more appealing than truth. Its victims develop an addiction that overwhelms the natural desire for healthful food. Once a person has fallen victim, if they are brought back to the truth, they will fall to the deadly teachings quicker the next time. False doctrine likewise destroys the heart and brain. Clear thinking processes are shut down. Eventually the heart disease will destroy the victim. They will be starving themselves of the word of life, while gorging on false doctrine. Don't underestimate the power of this poisonous plant.

17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. Romans 16:17

1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 1 Timothy 4:1

16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee. 1 Timothy 4:16

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. 2 Timothy 4:3,4