

PROVERBS II

"Attributes of the Proud"

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1. The proud have no _____ of God

Pr 8:13 The fear of the LORD [is] to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

"Your respect for God will equal your realistic view of yourself."

"He who thinks much of himself thinks little of his God and he who thinks much of his God will not think much of himself."

Isa 6:1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Isa 6:5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

Ro 7:18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

1Ti 1:15 This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

"Pride is lifting up yourself to a position of lordship."

"Pride causes you to overrule God and His Word in your life."

2. The proud are contentious and _____

Pr 13:10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised [is] wisdom.

“The only reason anyone ever argues is because neither is willing to let the other person win.”

“There is a difference between being right and doing right.”

“Peace and pride will not co-exist.”

“Submission is always an act of humility.”

“He who continues to push his point also continues to promote his pride.”

“The best way to stop an argument is never to have one. This takes great humility.”

“Remember the example Jesus gave us with angry and contentious people – He opened not His mouth.”

“It is very hard to argue with someone who just smiles, stays calm, and lets you win.”

“Winning the argument may cause you to become the biggest loser.”

3. The proud try to hurt others with their _____

Pr 14:3 In the mouth of the foolish [is] a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.

“The proud seek to lift themselves up by beating others down.”

“Kindness requires humility and so the proud are only kind to those they think can help them.”

“Nothing turns us a viscous and evil towards others as our own pride.”

“Pride dulls the senses of respect, tact, and grace.”

“He who carelessly slashes others with his words, swings the sword of his tongue by the arm of his ego.”

“He who is gentle of speech is usually more humble of heart.”

4. The proud are scorers and _____

Pr 21:24 Proud [and] haughty scorer [is] his name, who dealeth in proud wrath.

“Scorning is to publically put others down and this finds its root in pride.”

“Belittling others fills the ego of the proud but empties others of any real respect for him.”

“The proud uses mocking others outwardly as a salve to soothe his own hurting heart inwardly.”

5. The proud get others _____ or upset

Pr 28:25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.

“The proud like to spread their anger to others.”

“Getting the goat of others makes the proud feel like the king of the herd.”

“The proud love controlling the atmosphere and attitude of the simple.”

“Nothing infuriates the proud more than someone who will not join them in their discord and wrath.”

“The proud find more pleasure in stirring the pot than eating the soup.”

When someone seeks to get you riled up about something, you just learned two things:

- 1. They are proud*
- 2. They assume they can control you*

“The proud are usually too insecure to be mad by themselves so they always seek a posse to boost their confidence.”

6. The proud _____ on the weak and poor

Ps 10:2 The wicked in [his] pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.

“Don’t forget, the proud person is usually too weak to take on the strong face to face. And so, they persecute the weak face to face and criticize the strong behind their backs.”

“The goal of the proud is to lift himself up so he usually starts by stepping on what he views as the lowest heads around him.

“Nothing makes you as worthless as hurting those you view are of little worth.”

“God personally defends the poor, the stranger, the children, the fatherless, and the widows so don’t get on God’s bad side!”

7. The proud have no spiritual _____ or desire

Ps 10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek [after God]: God [is] not in all his thoughts.

“The proud are only interested in doing their own thing and therefore have little interest in learning or doing what pleases the Lord.”

“Humility causes you to lean on God, but pride makes you lean on self.”

“The proud person’s focus is not on what God says, but rather on what they believe.”

“When the proud and God disagree, the proud always do what is right in their own eyes.”

8. The proud have no control over their _____

Ps 59:12 For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they speak.

“The best tool to detect a proud person is the human ear. If their conversations center around themselves, so does their thinking.”

“Nothing is a bigger revealer of our heart than our speech.”

Mt 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

“Controlling our tongue is impossible to do in the flesh and the proud live their lives listening to the flesh.”

Jas 3:8 But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

9. The proud do not follow God's _____

Ps 119:21 Thou hast rebuked the proud [that are] cursed, which do err from thy commandments.

“The proud refuse to submit to authority and God is the ultimate authority.”

“Teaching your children instant obedience is a great defense against pride.”

“God will let you do things your own way, but not without consequence.”

“When we begin to think we know better than God, we don’t know much.”

“The simple do not know what God says, the proud do not care.”

10. The proud _____ about others

Ps 119:69 The proud have forged a lie against me: [but] I will keep thy precepts with [my] whole heart.

“The proud lie about others to take the focus off the truth about themselves.”

“The proud do not just lie because of predicament, but because of premeditation.”

“The proud person does not lie carelessly, but rather calculatedly.”

“The proud not only lie to try and stay out of trouble, but also to get others in trouble.”

11. The proud seek to _____ others

Ps 140:5 The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.

“The proud jump for joy when others fall.”

Pr 24:17 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:

“The proud person’s lack of success is soothed by others’ failures.”

“The proud do not have the patience to wait for others to fall on their own. So they often help speed up the process by tripping them.”

PROVERBS II

"Consequences of Pride"

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1. Pride brings open _____ and embarrassment

Pr 11:2 [When] pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly [is] wisdom.

"Those who lift themselves up publically, God will shame publically."

"He who tries to make himself chief will become the bottom face on the totem pole."

Da 4:37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

Lu 14:11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

2. Pride brings trouble to the _____

Pr 15:25 The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.

"Pride brings contention into the house; pride brings selfishness into the house; pride brings strife into the house, pride brings anger into the house; pride brings unforgiveness; and pride brings division into the house. And all of these are home wreckers."

"Pride negatively affects marriages, sibling relationships, obedience to parents, decision making skills, parenting skills, money management skills, and harmony."

“A proud house can be made by one, but will be felt by all.”

“There is no way that you can have a happy home if pride resides there long.”

“Pride will come to visit every home. Never make him up a bed.”

“Pride claims the shortest of all squatter’s rights.”

3. Pride brings the punishment and _____ of God

Pr 16:5 Every one [that is] proud in heart [is] an abomination to the LORD: [though] hand [join] in hand, he shall not be unpunished.

“Divine punishment to the proud is never a possibility; it is always a guarantee.”

“If you think God will overlook your pride it indicates how proud you really are.”

“Do not whitewash what God calls an abomination.”

“Why is it that we see so clearly the wickedness of everyone’s pride but our own?”

4. Pride brings _____ and failure

Pr 16:18 Pride [goeth] before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Pr 18:12 Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour [is] humility.

Pr 29:23 A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.

“Every effort of the proud is to move higher and higher in their own eyes and the eyes of others. Every result of the proud is that God will bring you lower and lower.”

“The higher you push yourself up the ladder, the farther you will fall when God pulls the ladder down.”

“Nothing is as deceptive and self-destructive as a man’s pride.”

“The most slippery surface you will ever try to stand on is your own ego. And the greatest shoes for climbing are made out of humility.”

“He who has the biggest head will soon need the most padded bottom.”

5. Pride brings lack of _____

Ps 12:3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, [and] the tongue that speaketh proud things:

Ps 101:5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.

“Every person you lord over you lose the potential to lead.”

“Remember that even when you have the microphone, God controls the sound board!”

“You gain leadership by being out front, but you gain followers by staying in their corner.”

“You will struggle to help people move up today that you cut down yesterday.”

“Nothing will ruin your influence with others like arrogance.”

“One thing everybody knows is that nobody likes a know it all.”

“If you lead humbly with your life, people will be more inclined to listen to your mouth.”

“The way to increase your fan base is by not being your biggest one!”

6. Pride brings _____

Ps 73:6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them [as] a garment.

“Nothing will tie you in knots like your own pride.”

“Pride is never satisfied and always brings slavery to its owner.”

“You do not own pride, it owns you.”

“Pride locks from the inside but can only be unlocked from the outside.”

“Pride not only locks you in, it locks everyone else out.”

“Nothing will make you as lonely, hopeless, and helpless as pride.”

“It is a good thing you like yourself, because you will soon be the only one who can stand to be around you.”

7. Pride brings a broken _____ with God

Ps 138:6 Though the LORD [be] high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.

“For every step you take towards self-dependence, you take a step away from God.”

“The path that leads towards God leads away from you.”

“No one gets close to God on their feet, but rather on their face.”

“God’s willingness to come your way is based on your willingness to come His.”

Jas 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

“Your closeness to God equals your humility, because it is our own pride that drives us from Him.”

“God will not force you to want Him, but He can make you need Him.”

8. Pride brings _____ from God

Jas 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

1Pe 5:5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all [of you] be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

“There is no opposition more fierce than God.”

“The proud waste all their energy pushing against an immovable God.”

“The ‘P’ that starts the word pride also stands for ‘Park.’ You can rev your engine all you want but you will go nowhere. God will not put your life into ‘D’ for drive until you shift from Pride to Dependence.”

“If it seems like God isn’t helping you fulfill your plans that is because grace comes to the humble.”

“The proud put themselves in double debt...an increase of God’s resistance and a deficit of God’s grace.”

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"Attributes of the Prudent"

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Prudent - Exercising sound judgment, cautious in conduct, not rash, managing carefully.

Prudence is using past experience and current facts to realistically look at what may happen in the future and making your decisions accordingly. Worry is when we speculate or surmise about the future without realistic or adequate facts or previous precedent.

Prudence is based upon knowledge; worry is based upon emotion.

Prudence is being careful; worry is being full of care.

Prudence is taking action to avoid something bad from happening; worry is feeling that that you can't avoid something bad happening.

Prudence is being circumspect; worry is being suspect.

Prudence is always thinking it over; worry is always over thinking it.

1. The prudent consider tomorrow's _____

for today's _____

Pr 12:16 A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent [man] covereth shame.

"A person that boasts about wrong is not looking out for the future of his testimony or the vulnerability of the simple."

“God may both forgive and forget, but people struggle with doing either.”

“You cannot unsow deeds or words that you later regret.”

“A prudent person would rather go hungry today than eat crow tomorrow.”

“A prudent person does not allow his anger to be advertised.”

“Prudence involves keeping your emotions in check for the sake of tomorrow as well as for the sake of today.”

“Your character is more measured by what you were in your moment of weakness than what you were in your moment of strength.”

“The prudent remembers that every day effects their reputation of integrity.”

“The prudent is willing to trade a laugh from the wrong crowd today for respect from everyone tomorrow.”

2. The prudent do not tell all they _____

Pr 12:23 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.

“Concealing knowledge does not mean hiding something; it means only revealing it to the right people at the right time.”

“You do not have to tell everyone all you know.”

“You should not tell anyone what is not their business.”

“The internet and cell phones have become the supersonic engines of the busybodies.”

“The gossips need to wear Depends on their head. They really struggle holding in even the smallest amount of what they take in. Within two minutes they feel relieved but everyone else has to put up with the stench and clean up the mess!”

The revealing of knowledge has three main elements:

- 1. Selection of who to tell – only those who are part of the problem or solution*
- 2. Selection of what to tell – only what is needed to make the proper decision*
- 3. Selection of when to tell – only when you have confirmed the validity*

“A man with knowledge who does not announce it to all has more respect than the man who makes sure everyone finds out he doesn’t know what he is talking about.”

“If you feel the need to announce that you have all the answers you are questionable!”

3. The prudent do not act on _____ or hearsay

Pr 13:16 Every prudent [man] dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open [his] folly.

“Making decisions on emotion will only lead to bad emotions!”

“Being able to step away from the feelings and deal with the facts requires great self-discipline of mind and heart.”

“Prudent people are not emotionless. They just learn to temper their emotions today with the facts of yesterday for the good of tomorrow.”

“Prudent people do not waste their energy jumping to conclusions.”

“Prudent people do not dig for gossip or hearsay from the fringe; they seek facts from the first-hand source.”

“Principles and precedent are the guiding marks of the prudent. Those don’t change no matter how you feel.”

“Prudent decisions prevent pressured or prejudice decisions.”

4. The prudent do not stop at knowing _____, but also _____

Pr 14:8 The wisdom of the prudent [is] to understand his way: but the folly of fools [is] deceit.

“The prudent person seeks the knowledge to make right decisions today and the understanding so that he will also make the right decision tomorrow.”

“I can make progress for today with knowledge, but I can only make policies for tomorrow with understanding.”

“Understanding will help to prevent future failure.”

“The prudent is not satisfied to leave his future to chance.”

“If I have a good day I ask myself why and sit down and write what I did so I can repeat it. If I had a bad day I ask myself why and sit down and write what I did so I can avoid repeating it.” – Dr. Jack Hyles

5. The prudent do not believe everything they _____

Pr 14:15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent [man] looketh well to his going.

“The prudent person is not skeptical, but is careful.”

“The prudent person is not suspect, but is circumspect.”

“The prudent person is not a pessimist, but is a realist.”

“The prudent person is not gullible, but is guarded.”

“The prudent person does their homework before they make a decision or judgment.”

“If you are unwilling to be diligent in fact finding, you are unqualified to make a decision.”

Pr 18:13 He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

“Getting 100% of one side of the story is only 50% of your responsibility.”

“Never say, ‘I know all about it’ until you have talked to both parties involved.”

“What one person told you or told you they were told does not make it indisputable evidence.”

De 19:15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

“Checking out your story will always help you check your attitude. Not only will you know both sides, but the time it takes to do so will give you opportunity to cool down from your initial emotional reaction.”

6. The prudent do not ever quit _____

Pr 14:18 The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

Pr 18:15 The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

“You cannot make informed decisions without the information, and you cannot obtain good information without seeking it.”

“Principles are the boards with which the prudent builds his fence of protection and knowledge are the nails that hold them in place.”

“When you quit learning today from yesterday, you stop building your protection for tomorrow.”

“A prudent person is a great student of history.”

“Nothing will make you a great seer of the future like a good view of the past.”

“Asking questions and advice today is better than asking for forgiveness and rescue tomorrow.”

“It is much easier on you to learn from those who learned the hard way.”

“Learning from others’ examples is better than becoming others’ statistics.”

7. The prudent do not buck at _____

Pr 15:5 A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent.

“The prudent understand that every correction is an opportunity for improvement.”

“The fool is hurt by what you point out about his past. The prudent is thankful for what you helped to prevent again in his future.”

“Don’t get mad at the person flashing their lights at you while you are driving the wrong way on the highway!”

Pr 10:17 He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.

Pr 12:1 Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish.

Pr 13:18 Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.

Pr 15:10 Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die.

Pr 15:31 The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

Pr 15:32 He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.

Pr 17:10 A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.

“Your attitude about correction will determine how much more of it you will get!”

“With a prudent spirit, yesterday’s medicine can double as tomorrow’s vitamin.”

“When you are reproved today you cannot undo what you did yesterday to deserve it, but you can be sure you don’t do it tomorrow to avoid deserving it again.”

8. The prudent do not let _____ go in one ear and out the other

Pr 16:21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.

“Because the prudent person is always thinking forward he is always checking backwards to learn the lessons that will help him tomorrow.”

“The prudent is quick to incorporate the lessons of yesterday into the living of today.”

“Not only do the prudent seek to understand the principles of life, but they seek to live them.”

“Knowledge not incorporated simply makes us guilty by being accountable for what we learned but refused to use.”

“The prudent sees every lesson of life as a tool to building future success and they gather those tools every chance they can.”

9. Finding a prudent person is a _____ from God

Pr 19:14 House and riches [are] the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife [is] from the LORD.

“A person with prudence is a rare find.”

“A person with prudence is a great asset to those around them.”

“A person with prudence is something worth giving God thanks for.”

10. The prudent do not even walk in the _____ of wrong

Pr 22:3 A prudent [man] foreseeeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

“The prudent person does not only avoid wrong, but anything that could potentially lead to wrong.”

“The prudent person does not take chances on sin.”

“The prudent person always plays it safe by watching where others got knocked out.”

“The prudent do not see how close they can get to danger without getting hurt, but rather how far away from danger they can stay to keep from getting hurt.”

“The prudent are diligent to build a buffer between themselves and destruction.”

“The gossip’s ear is like a police scanner listening for what they can begin to pass on. The prudent’s ear is like a scanner listening for what they can bypass around.”

PROVERBS II

"Attributes of the Scorner"

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A scorner is a one who mocks, makes fun of, makes light of, or back talks. It is a person that is argumentative, a smart allec, or is openly critical about something or someone. The Hebrew word literally means “to make mouth at” or what we would call someone who is “mouthy.”

1. A scorner finds pleasure in _____ others

Pr 1:22 How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

- It shows one's pride to mock others
- It shows one's unkindness to mock others
- It shows one's disrespect to mock others
- It shows one's immaturity to mock others
- It shows one's foolishness to mock others
- It shows one's rebellion to mock others

And yet, a scorner takes pleasure in such an activity.

“Don't allow your children to make fun of people, criticize people, argue with people, or backtalk. All of these are developing attributes of the scorner in them.”

“Every time you find delight in destroying others publically you are displaying your own private pride problem.”

“Scorners are often cowards who try to cover their own insecurities about themselves by running their mouths about others.”

“A scorner tries to make up with his mouth what they lack in their character.”

“A scorner is a critic with an audience of at least one.”

“A scorner tries to conceal their bad attitude in humor or jesting.”

2. A scorner ends up being _____ and mocked by God

Pr 3:33 The curse of the LORD [is] in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.

34 Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly.

“God will put in place those who try to put others in their place.”

“No one can bring you down to size like God.”

“God is watching and God is listening and what you sow you reap.”

Ga 6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

Pr 17:5 Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: and he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.

Pr 30:17 The eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.

“Mocking or scorning can also be done with the face, the eye, and the attitude.”

2Ki 2:23 And he went up from thence unto Bethel: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them.

3. A scorner doesn't listen when _____

Pr 13:1 A wise son [heareth] his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

"A scorner has learned to turn off the voice of everyone but themselves."

"Scolding a scorner is like yelling at a deaf person."

"Trying to rebuke a scorner is like trying to reason with a dog."

"A scorner uses all their energy for their mouth and has none left for their ears or their brain."

"A scorner's reaction to rebuke is rebellion."

"A scorner can never take responsibility for wrong. It is always someone else's fault."

4. A scorner can't get _____

Pr 14:6 A scorner seeketh wisdom, and [findeth it] not: but knowledge [is] easy unto him that understandeth.

"Wisdom is allusive for the scorner because it is obtained by listening to others and they are too busy talking about others and it is obtained by watching others and they are too busy criticizing others."

"If a scorner cannot obtain wisdom, they can only be filled with foolishness."

5. A scorner sees the _____ as the enemy

Pr 15:12 A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.

"The scorner feels everyone is out to get them."

"The scorner will publically bite the hand that privately feeds them."

“The scorner has a consistent problem with authority, but authority is not the problem.”

“The scorner will not seek help or counsel, but rather spread blame and discontentment.”

“The scorner never takes their complaint or criticism to the source because their goal is not resolving a problem, but dissolving a person.”

“If the scorner doesn’t go to the wise, what does that make you if you give them an ear?”

6. A scorner has a _____ problem and uses his scorning to get attention

Pr 21:24 Proud [and] haughty scorner [is] his name, who dealeth in proud wrath.

“Scorners love to get attention by drawing attention to other’s mistakes, shortcomings, sins, or even standards.

“Proud people delight in emphasizing their strengths and others’ weaknesses.”

“If a proud person struggles to find a weakness in another, they will instead scorn a strength.”

“Scorning is just hatred wearing make-up!”

“Scorning is not a mouth problem as much as it is a heart problem.”

Lu 6:45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

7. A scorner is eventually _____ by others

Pr 24:9 The thought of foolishness [is] sin: and the scorner [is] an abomination to men.

“Scorners may get a laugh today but they won’t get any respect tomorrow.”

“Scorners may gather an audience, but they drive away friends.”

“Don’t forget, if they will speak evil TO you they will speak evil ABOUT you.”

“Birds of a feather flock together. If you stay will the scorner you are showing what you already are or what you will soon become.”

“Those who delight in destruction have no loyalty to anyone but themselves.”

“Those who stabbed others in the back will eventually stab you in the heart.”

8. A scorner doesn't know the whole _____, but act as if they do

Pr 19:28 An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.

“It is much easier to criticize the decisions of others then make one for yourself.”

“When you only have a couple pieces of the puzzle, do not expect to see it the same way as the one holding the lid.”

“Not only should the judge wait on his verdict until he has heard the whole story, but the press should not criticize the verdict when they were not even in the trial.”

Pr 18:13 He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

“Justice is seldom the goal of the scorner.”

“Scorners are diligent to say ‘if I were in charge,’ but are too lazy to ever be in charge.”

9. A scorner _____ those around them

Pr 29:8 Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise [men] turn away wrath.

“The scorner is not just a manure spreader, but really a poison-spreader. They spread lies, half-truths, rumors, gossip, criticism, dissension, and a bad spirit.”

“The scorner always leaves a wake of wounded in their path.”

“The scorner usually targets scorning to the weak about the strong.”

“Scorners seek out fence riders. It is hard to knock someone in the middle of the field over to the other side.”

“The scorner’s intent is to hurt a few people, but he ends up hurting everyone including himself.”

“Usually those scorned to are damaged more than those scorned about.”

“A scorner’s bad spirit and disobedience to God can bring a lack of God’s blessing and/or an increase of God’s judgment on many people.”

“Sin never affects just one person. There is always fallout.”

10. A scorner is too busy _____ others to actually do anything themselves

Ps 1:1 Blessed [is] the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

“The scorner is always a spectator, not a team player.”

“The one busy rowing for his life in the storm has little time to critique the technique of the other rowers.”

“The diligent person is much too busy with his own backyard to worry about his neighbor.”

“The scorner is the one least involved in his own business and most involved in everyone else’s business.”

“The only thing that keeps the busybody busy is scorning other people.”

“Staying active helps protect you from ever sitting down in the seat of the scornful.”

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"How to Handle a Scorer"

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1. Don't _____ reprove, rebuke, or reprimand a scorer

Pr 9:7 He that reproveth a scorer getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked [man getteth] himself a blot.

8 Reprove not a scorer, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.

- "Reprove" means to chastise with words or to argue.

"If you publically rebuke a scorer they will use it against you and seek sympathy from others."

"A scorer's problem is pride and stomping on it will only enflame them."

"Action is the key. They won't even hear your words."

"What you do about the scorer is much more important than what you say to the scorer."

"Remember that what you say and even things you didn't say will be used against you by the scorer."

"The scorer will always make the issue about how you handled the issue they created."

2. Make sure you don't take out your _____ with them on others

Pr 9:12 If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but [if] thou scornest, thou alone shalt bear [it].

“Don’t punish the simple for the scorner’s actions.”

“Don’t unleash on the simple when frustrated with the scorner.”

“Don’t make their bad attitude cause you to make everyone have a bad day.”

“If you cannot learn to compartmentalize stress and frustration, you will soon become unjust in your treatment of the innocent.”

3. Their punishment is not as much for their sake as to help the _____ not to follow them

Pr 19:25 Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, [and] he will understand knowledge.

Pr 21:11 When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge.

- “Smite” means to punish with striking or giving of stripes.

“To allow a scorner’s wrong to go unpunished hurts the simple more than the scorner.”

“Rebuke brings attention to the scorner, but punishment punctures their pride.”

“Don’t be afraid of the scorner, be afraid for the simple.”

“Fair punishment is much more effective than feverish words.”

“Let the law and the consequences do the speaking for you.”

4. Have a plan and rule already in place (_____, don't _____)

Pr 19:29 Judgments are prepared for scorers, and stripes for the back of fools.

“If you react to the scorner you will not have sound judgment and will get in the flesh.”

“One of the goals of the scorner is to get you riled. Handling them firmly but calmly makes them the loser.”

“Punish them when they break the policy, not when they hurt your pride.”

“Make the issue what they did against God’s Word, not what they did against you.”

“It is much harder for them to gain the sympathy of followers for being punished for breaking a rule than for being punished for making you mad.”

“Yelling at a scorner is saying ‘You are winning’ real loud.”

“When dealing with a scorner, if you are smiling they will be frowning, but if you are frowning they will be smiling.”

“Remember that you should overcome evil with good.”

“Giving a scorner grace will just be abused, but being gracious will help you not be accused.”

5. If punishment is not effective for them (and it seldom is) _____ them to avoid confrontation and dissension

Pr 22:10 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.

“The goal is not to give up on the scorner. The goal is to protect the simple until the scorner repents.”

“A scorner is seldom ever helped publically.”

“Casting out the scorner removes their platform.”

“The scorner hates solitude.”

“The scorner is one who cannot keep his pride confined. Without that public pride there is very little public contention.”

Pr 13:10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

“One scorner can ruin the atmosphere and spirit of the whole group.”

“Remove them calmly yet firmly and seek to help them privately and patiently.”

“Spraying more perfume in the room is not very helpful until you first put the skunk outside!”

PROVERBS II

"Attributes of the Sluggard / Slothful"

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Sluggard: A slow or lazy person

Slothfulness: Habitual tendency to avoid exertion

1. The sluggard is not a _____

Pr 6:6

Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,

8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.

9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

"All non-self-starters are not sluggards, but all sluggards are not self-starters."

"The sluggard requires others to motivate and supervise them to accomplish anything."

"The sluggard left to themselves to do a task just won't get it done."

"The sluggard only does what is required by others and not until it is made an issue."

"The sluggard is only interested in doing what is minimal to get through today."

2. The sluggard is a _____

Pr 6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:
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8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.
9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?
10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:
11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

“The sluggard will put off until tomorrow until it becomes yesterday.”

“Procrastination is never a problem until after the deadline.”

“The excuse of the procrastinator is that they ‘work better under pressure.’ Then start putting pressure on yourself earlier!”

“Time waits for no man and men should not wait until time runs out.”

“The sluggard is full of good intentions... for tomorrow.”

3. The sluggard lives life a day _____ and a dollar _____

Pr 6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:
7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,
8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.
9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?
10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:
11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

“Increasing your income does not fix bad money management and extending the deadline does not fix poor time management.”

“The sluggard will never get ahead because they are still doing yesterday’s work today.”

“Procrastination has a multiplying consequence.”

“The sluggard often says ‘As soon as I get caught up’ but they never do.”

“Your financial troubles are ‘as one that travelleth’ – constantly getting you farther and farther from where you need to be.”

“Your ‘want’ or lack will rob your future of what you could and should have had.”

4. The sluggard becomes a _____ to others as well

Pr 10:26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so [is] the sluggard to them that send him.

“Because the sluggard cannot be depended upon, they become an irritation to those counting on them.”

“Most leaders can deal with and teach the simple, but eventually they will have to replace the sluggard.”

“If you can’t be counted on, you just erased your value.”

Pr 20:6 Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?

Lu 16:10 He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.

1Co 4:2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

“How well you can do the task is not as important as if you do the task.”

5. The sluggard will never be able to be out front because he is a

Pr 12:24 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.

“Learn to be where you are supposed to be, when you are supposed to be there, doing what you are supposed to do and you will have the potential for greatness.”

“Nothing hinders the winds of advancement like the anchor of laziness.”

“If you are sick of always having someone standing over you telling you what to do, start telling yourself what to do and then they won’t have to.”

“If you think ‘work’ is a hard word, remember that it is shorter than ‘unemployment’.”

“Two groups of people try to ‘sleep their way to the top’ – sluts and sluggards.”

“Remember that potential for promotion is not based on desire to lead, but rather on willingness to work.”

“Strikes were invented by sluggards seeking to be paid more to do less. You put enough of them together and you have a union.”

“Trying to have a sluggard lead is like trying to pull a train with a caboose. No matter how good he may look, he that must be dragged can never pull others along.”

“Not all hard workers are promoted, but they all keep themselves in the running.”

“Don’t work hard to be promoted. Be promoted because you worked hard.”

“The best candidate to hold the scepter is often the one with the most calloused hand.”

“If you became the leader through laziness, what will you inspire your followers to accomplish?”

“Faithfulness and diligence can take a man as high as he is willing to go.”

“Whatever a man may lack in talent can be overcome by what he holds in character.”

6. The sluggard is a waster of both _____ and _____

Pr 12:27 The slothful [man] roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man [is] precious.

Pr 18:9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

“Because the sluggard has no work ethic, he does not see the value of the product.”

“The food that tastes best came from your own garden!”

“Every boy will treat daddy’s car worse than the one for which he buys the tires!”

“Pride in ownership equals sacrifice in obtaining.”

“Where there is no investment there is little interest.”

“No one mistreats things like he to whom it was freely given that does not remember the price someone else paid.”

“Silver spoons are seldom washed, but a poor man will reuse a paper plate!”

“Waste is at its worst when in the hands of those who did not work for it. If you don’t believe me, check out the Federal government.”

“Very few people are good penny pinchers of other people’s pennies.”

7. The sluggard lives on his good _____ and other people’s

hard _____

Pr 13:4 The soul of the sluggard desireth, and [hath] nothing; but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

“Good intentions never paid a bill or bought a loaf of bread.”

“Want fixes nothing. Work does!”

“The sluggard wastes all his energy wanting what work brings but giving no effort on working.”

“The hardest the sluggard ever works is trying to find a way out of work.”

“There is no such thing as good luck, but there is such a thing as hard work.”

8. The sluggard will remain in a _____ of struggle and difficulty

Pr 15:19 The way of the slothful [man is] as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous [is] made plain.

“The way to get yourself out of a hole is by working, not by waiting.”

“Hope and change do not go together. Work and change do!”

“Only cheese gets better with time, the rest takes effort.”

“If you keep doing what you have always done you will always get what you always got. And if you keep doing nothing, that is exactly how much change you will get.”

9. Slothfulness is _____ and self-destructive

Pr 19:15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

“The sluggard gets so accustomed to not working they can’t imagine ever trying to change it.”

“Laziness is a viscous cycle, but the cycle has no wheels!”

“Neither laziness nor character are hereditary, however they are both contagious.”

“Welfare should always be a temporary thing unless the person’s disability is permanent. And laziness is not a disability!”

“In most cases, extending unemployment only delays serious effort for employment.”

10. The sluggard refuses to work not because he _____, but

because he _____

Pr 19:24 A slothful [man] hideth his hand in [his] bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.

Pr 21:25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.

“Welfare and charity should be reserved for those who cannot work, not for those who will not work.”

2Th 3:10 For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

“There is a big difference between giving to the poor and giving to the lazy.”

“The diligent’s work should not pay the way of the sluggard’s want.”

“Liberal is giving to those who want it. Charitable is giving to those who need it.”

“The rich are supposed to give a portion of what they have to help the poor. This is called Christianity. But taking from the rich to help the lazy is called socialism.”

11. The sluggard is always full of _____ why they can’t work

Pr 20:4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; [therefore] shall he beg in harvest, and [have] nothing.

Pr 22:13 The slothful [man] saith, [There is] a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

“The sluggard not only uses what is as an excuse not to work, but they also use what could be as an excuse not to work.”

“Some of the most creative minds are trapped in the body of a lazy man forming excuses why he cannot work.”

“The sluggard believes that until there is an easy way to do something, it should not be attempted.”

“The sluggard believes their lack is always someone else’s fault.”

“The sluggard refuses to accept responsibility for his condition.”

12. The sluggard is not ashamed to depend on _____ to give

him what he should have gotten _____

Pr 20:4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; [therefore] shall he beg in harvest, and [have] nothing.

“When you need help that is called life. When you accept help that is called humility. When you offer help that is called charity. When you expect help that is called laziness.”

“One’s character is revealed by what he does for himself. One’s lack of character is revealed by what he expects others to do for him.”

“If someone constantly has their hand out, someone ought to put a tool in it!”

“Helping those who won’t help themselves only breeds an unhealthy dependence that leads to a welfare state.”

“If you are willing to beg, it better be for a job!”

“We have digressed from those holding signs ‘will work for food’ to those who refuse to work but still expect food.”

“There is a great difference between helping someone back on their feet and removing all incentive to ever get off their bottom.”

“Our welfare system as it stands will soon become our downfall. It not only removes the desire for the sluggard to work, but builds resentment in the diligent to keep paying the way for the lazy.”

13. The sluggard is _____ to the effects of his own laziness

Pr 24:30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

“The sluggard cannot understand why nothing works out for him when he doesn’t work.”

“The sluggard struggles to comprehend and incorporate principles of money, savings, planning, faithfulness, and work ethic.”

“The sluggard’s laziness of character creates a mental disconnect of economic concepts and practices.”

“The sluggard really believes that somehow he can make a way for $0 + 0 = 2$.”

“The sluggard refuses to accept the reality of work over the fantasy of hope.”

“A sluggard may even misconceive or misrepresent his unwillingness to work himself as his willingness to have faith in God. But faith is believing God to do what you cannot do, not what you will not do!”

14. The sluggard is not always _____, but is always

Pr 26:14 [As] the door turneth upon his hinges, so [doth] the slothful upon his bed.

“There are two categories of sluggards – those who are inactive and therefore unproductive and those who are active but still are unproductive.”

“Don’t confuse activity with progress.”

- *Some sluggards never get to church. Some are always here but never serve.*
- *Some sluggards don’t listen to the preaching. Some listen but never change.*
- *Some sluggards never go soulwinning. Some go faithfully but never win anyone to Christ.*
- *Some sluggards never read their Bibles. Some read it daily but never grow.”*
- *Some sluggards never pray. Some pray regularly but never get an answer.”*
- *Some sluggards never get out of bed. Some get up early and stay up late and still get nothing done.*
- *Some sluggards never open their mouths. Some sluggards are always talking but never say anything.*

“Being on the go and getting somewhere are two different things!”

“Success requires faithfulness, but it also requires work while you are there!”

“Success is not measured by activity, but rather by accomplishment.”

“He who seldom does anything accomplishes no more than he who faithfully does nothing.”

“Refusing to go to work and refusing to work when you get there have the same result. The only difference is the one who doesn’t come doesn’t get paid – he is just lazy. The one who comes but doesn’t work is both lazy and a thief.”

15. The sluggard is unreasonable and _____

Pr 26:16 The sluggard [is] wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.

“You cannot reason with a sluggard because he is too lazy and stubborn to listen.”

“You cannot reason with a sluggard because he is too lazy and stubborn to think.”

“You cannot reason with a sluggard because he is too lazy and stubborn to consider changing.”

“You cannot reason with a sluggard because he is too lazy and stubborn to fix the problem.”

“The sluggard is satisfied seeking no evidence to support his theory. After all, that would require work!”

“The sluggard really sees his way as right no matter what the facts, statistics, or Bible have to say about it.”

PROVERBS II

“Attributes of the Upright or the Just”

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The word “upright” (*ya sha r - yaw-shawr'*) means straight, equitable, just, and right.

The word “just” (*tsaddi yq - tsad-deek'*) means lawful or righteous.

Isa 26:7 The way of the just is uprightness: thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.

1. The upright and just will be _____ by God

Pr 3:33 The curse of the LORD is in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.

Pr 28:10 Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession.

“Your righteousness will bring a blessing to you.”

Pr 10:6 Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

“Your righteousness will bring a blessing both to you and to your family.”

Pr 3:33 The curse of the LORD is in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.

Pr 20:7 The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

“Your righteousness will bring a blessing both to you and to your church. ”

Pr 14:11 The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.

“Your righteousness will bring a blessing both to you and to your city. ”

Pr 11:11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.

“Your righteousness will bring a blessing both to you and your country. ”

Pr 14:34 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.

“Your righteousness will bring a blessing both to your present and your legacy. ”

Pr 10:7 The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

“Your decision to live for God will determine the amount of blessing on many people.”

2. The upright and just make righteousness a _____ of _____

Pr 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

Pr 13:6 Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

Pr 11:20 They that are of a froward heart are abomination to the LORD: but such as are upright in their way are his delight.

Pr 16:17 The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul.

Pr 21:29 A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the upright, he directeth his way.

Pr 29:27 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

“Integrity is not something that can be taken on and off. It is what you ARE, not what you DO.”

“An upright or just reputation never comes from just one event or circumstance.”

“Righteousness is not the same as religion; however, it should be practiced religiously.”

“The ‘way’ of a man is not just the path he travels on Sunday.”

“God’s idea of righteousness is never determined by time, place, or company.”

“Righteousness is never figured on an average for you or a curve on everyone, but rather how much like Christ you have become.”

2Co 10:12 For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

Mt 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Ro 8:29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Eph 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

“You will make very little progress in the Christian life if you divide your time traveling roads going different directions.”

3. The upright and just know _____ to say and _____ and _____ to say it

Pr 10:20 The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.

Pr 10:31 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.

Pr 11:9 An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.

Pr 12:6 The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.

Pr 12:13 The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.

“Notice the opposite contrasts God makes with the upright and just – wicked, froward, and hypocrite. So upright speech must be righteous, appropriate, gracious, and honest.”

“Very few things are more valuable than truthful, gracious, and appropriate words.”

Pr 25:11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

“Deceit does not get one out of trouble, it just delays and increases the consequences.”

Pr 12:19 The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

Pr 20:17 Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.

“Those that are upright in their actions will also be upright in their words.”

Ps 15:2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

“Nothing will free you like the truth.”

Joh 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

“You never have to make up another truth to cover up your last one.”

4. The upright and just are seeking to _____ their righteousness all the time

Pr 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

Pr 9:9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.

“When you become satisfied with your level of growth, you just revealed your desperate need to keep growing!”

“Because uprightness is not an act but a path, it indicates progress leading you closer to the goal.”

“The path of righteousness is a roadway, not a parking lot.”

“What have you done in the last 30 days to increase your effectiveness as a Christian?”

5. The upright and just are prone to make good _____

Pr 11:3 The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.

“Walking the right path with consistency and longevity will give you momentum for making your next step right as well.”

“The best way to insure a right decision tomorrow is by following the righteous directions of today.”

“As long as you do not exit the right road, you won’t go the wrong way!”

“Inconsistency in the past will promote inconsistency in the future.”

Jas 1:8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

“Learn to live by the principles of the Word of God.”

Ps 119:105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

6. The upright and the just will be _____ by godliness and by God

Pr 11:6 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but transgressors shall be taken in their own naughtiness.

“The righteousness of Job, Joseph, Elijah, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego and Paul did not spare them from problems, but they were delivered out of their problems.”

“The righteous will not be delivered from trouble, but rather out of trouble.”

Ps 34:17 The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

- Ps 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.
- Ps 97:10 Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
- 2Pe 2:9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

7. The upright and the just are people of _____

- Pr 15:8 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his delight.

“You will not be upright or just without God’s help.”

“Even good people with good intentions will not do good things without God’s power.”

- Ro 7:15 For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.
- 16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.
- 17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
- 18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.
- 19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.
- 20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
- 21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.
- 22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:
- 23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.
- 24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
- 25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

- Heb 10:38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

“Your victory on your feet is equivalent to your faithfulness on your knees.”

“God loves answering the prayers of those dependent upon Him.”

“It is sin that separates us from God, so the upright person has God’s ear.”

Isa 59:2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

Pr 15:29 The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

8. The upright and the just find pleasure in doing things the _____ and _____ way

Pr 21:15 It is joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.

“The just do not necessarily enjoy judging, but rather enjoy justice.”

“Injustice to anyone grinds the soul of the just person. It also upsets God.”

Ps 43:1 Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.

Pr 11:1 A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight.

Pr 17:26 Also to punish the just is not good, nor to strike princes for equity.

Pr 29:27 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

“Justice must be equitable both to the guilty and to the innocent.”

9. The upright and the just don’t _____ when they fall

Pr 24:16 For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

“The upright and the just are not perfect or without sin, but rather they are perfecting and without stopping.”

Ec 7:20 For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.

“Your uprightness is not only measured by how long you stayed up without falling, but also by how quickly you got up when you fell.”

“Prudence will often keep you off your backside and persistence will get you back up off your backside.”

“When temptation caused you to fall from uprightness, tenacity will give you the opportunity to resume it.”

“Upright means just like it sounds – being ‘upright’. You cannot be upright and lying down at the same time.”

10. The upright and the just will not be _____ by the unrighteous and the unjust

Pr 29:10 The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.

Pr 29:27 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

“As upsetting as the wicked are to the righteous, so are the righteous to the wicked.”

“The righteous despise what the wicked do against God and truth. The wicked hate how the righteous make them feel about themselves.”

“We are called the light of the world and it is bothersome to those in darkness to have your light reveal their works of darkness.”

Ps 37:12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

Joh 15:8 If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.

19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

20 Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.

21 But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

22 If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin.

2Ti 3:12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

1Jo 3:12 Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

13 Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.

“Do not be shocked by the world’s hatred of righteousness, but also don’t take it personally.”

“If the world loves you, it can only be because you are like them.”

“The light of your life should bring conviction to those in darkness.”

- Mt 5:14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.
15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.
16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
- Php 2:15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

PROVERBS II

"Attributes of the Strange Woman"

Dr. Jack Bachman

1. She tells you what you want to _____, even if she knows it's not true

PRO 2:16 To deliver thee from the strange woman, [even] from the stranger [which] flattereth with her words;

PRO 6:24 To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.

PRO 7:5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger [which] flattereth with her words.

"Flatter" means to praise insincerely, to gratify the vanity of, to make seem more attractive than it is.

2. She is a _____ talker and a _____ talker

PRO 5:3 ¶ For the lips of a strange woman drop [as] an honeycomb, and her mouth [is] smoother than oil:

3. She will _____ in such a way to get your attention and stir up your wicked flesh

PRO 23:33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.

GEN 38:14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place, which [is] by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

4. She _____ on ignorant and immature people

PRO 7:6 ¶ For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,
PRO 7:7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,

5. She is territorial and _____

PRO 7:8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,

6. She will patiently wait for your _____ moment

PRO 7:9 In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night:

7. She can be identified by her _____

PRO 7:10 And, behold, there met him a woman [with] the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

8. She is crafty and _____

PRO 7:10 And, behold, there met him a woman [with] the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

9. She is _____ and likes attention

PRO 7:11 (She [is] loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:

10. She is stubborn and unwilling to _____ or give in

PRO 7:11 (She [is] loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:

11. She would rather be out and about than at _____

PRO 7:11 (She [is] loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:

12. She is always hanging around with and getting closer to the _____

PRO 7:12 Now [is she] without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)

13. She is _____ and controlling

PRO 7:13 So she caught him, and kissed him, [and] with an impudent face said unto him,

14. She will use a _____ relationship to get what she wants

PRO 7:13 So she caught him, and kissed him, [and] with an impudent face said unto him,

15. She is _____ and forward

PRO 7:13 So she caught him, and kissed him, [and] with an impudent face said unto him,

JER 3:3 Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.

16. She tries to make it appear that she is a _____ person

PRO 7:14 [I have] peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.

**17. She tries to make you think you're _____, even though
you're just another _____**

PRO 7:15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have
found thee.

18. She is _____ and manipulative

PRO 7:16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved [works], with
fine linen of Egypt.

PRO 7:17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

**19. She is only concerned about the short term _____, not the
long term _____**

PRO 7:18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves
with loves.

20. She is _____, unfaithful, and sneaky

PRO 7:19 For the goodman [is] not at home, he is gone a long journey:

PRO 7:20 He hath taken a bag of money with him, [and] will come home at the day
appointed.

21. She is _____ and convincing

PRO 7:21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her
lips she forced him.

- PRO 7:22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;
- PRO 7:23 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it [is] for his life.

22. She must be _____ and fled from

- PRO 7:24 ¶ Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.
- PRO 7:25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.
- PRO 5:8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:
- GEN 39:12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.
- 2TI 2:22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

23. She can take down the _____ or the _____

- PRO 7:26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong [men] have been slain by her.
- 1CO 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

24. She has the _____ to damn a soul

- PRO 7:27 Her house [is] the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.
- PRO 5:5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.

25. She will take everything you have and leave you _____

PRO 6:26 For by means of a whorish woman [a man is brought] to a piece of bread:
and the adulteress will hunt for the precious life.

26. She makes it easy to get _____ sin and hard to get _____ of it

PRO 23:27 For a whore [is] a deep ditch; and a strange woman [is] a narrow pit.

PRO 22:14 The mouth of strange women [is] a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the
LORD shall fall therein.

**27. She must glitter up the _____ to "make up" for what
is lacking on the _____**

2KI 9:30 ¶ And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard [of it]; and she painted
her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window.

1TI 2:9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with
shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or
costly array;

1TI 2:10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

1PE 3:3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward [adorning] of plaiting the hair,
and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

1PE 3:4 But [let it be] the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible,
[even the ornament] of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God
of great price.

28. She does not follow the _____ of her parents or counselors

PRO 2:16 To deliver thee from the strange woman, even from the stranger which
flattereth with her words;

PRO 2:17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her
God.

29. She does not care what the _____ says, but goes her own way

PRO 2:16 To deliver thee from the strange woman, even from the stranger which flattereth with her words;

PRO 2:17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her God.

30. She will use her _____, her _____, and her _____ to get what she wants

PRO 6:25 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.

JUD 14:16 And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told [it] me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told [it] my father nor my mother, and shall I tell [it] thee?

JUD 14:17 And she wept before him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle to the children of her people.

31. She will add you to the number of _____ and move on

PRO 23:28 She also lieth in wait as [for] a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men.

32. She brings devastation, death and unrecoverable _____ in the end

PRO 2:18 For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead.

PRO 2:19 None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the paths of life.

PRO 5:4 But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.

PROVERBS II

"Attributes of the Virtuous Woman"

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1. She makes her husband _____ than he would be by himself

PRO 12:4 A virtuous woman [is] a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed [is] as rottenness in his bones.

2. She is _____ to her husband

PRO 31:10 ¶ Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price [is] far above rubies.

3. She makes sure her husband can _____ her with any task she is given

PRO 31:11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

4. She is looking for ways to _____ her husband and making
sure she never _____ him

PRO 31:12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

5. She is _____ and gladly looks for things to do to help her family

PRO 31:13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

6. She works hard at planning and preparing _____ for her family

PRO 31:14 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

7. She puts meeting everyone else's' _____ before her own comfort

PRO 31:15 She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

**8. She knows how to look for a good _____ and is wise with
_____ (not a rash spender)**

PRO 31:16 She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

9. She knows how to _____ hard and _____ money through self-provision

PRO 31:16 She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

10. She is not _____ of sweat, labor, and exercise

PRO 31:17 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.

11. She works on her _____ projects once her family responsibilities are all done

PRO 31:18 She perceiveth that her merchandise [is] good: her candle goeth not out by night.

12. She saves money by _____ things instead of buying them

PRO 31:19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.

13. She is concerned about others and active in helping those less

PRO 31:20 She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.

14. She cares for her own and her family's _____ needs

PRO 31:21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household [are] clothed with scarlet.

15. She takes care of herself and keeps herself looking _____

PRO 31:22 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing [is] silk and purple.

16. She protects and promotes the good _____ of her husband to everyone

PRO 31:23 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.

17. She makes some money by _____ some things she has made

PRO 31:24 She maketh fine linen, and selleth [it]; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

18. She remains stable, _____, and patient

PRO 31:25 Strength and honour [are] her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

19. She _____ before she _____ and uses words that bring others joy

PRO 31:26 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue [is] the law of kindness.

20. She keeps herself busy and makes her _____ her main responsibility

PRO 31:27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

21. She is well _____ by those who know her best and see no hypocrisy

PRO 31:28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband [also], and he praiseth her.

22. She goes a step above at everything she _____, but even more at everything she _____

PRO 31:29 Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.

23. She keeps a right relationship with God her first _____

PRO 31:30 Favour [is] deceitful, and beauty [is] vain: [but] a woman [that] feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

24. She has a life that is a _____ to her hard work and faithfulness

PRO 31:31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

PROVERBS II
Test 1 Review

Name: _____

Date: _____

1. The proud have no **FEAR** of God
2. The proud are contentious and **ARGUMENTATIVE**
3. The proud try to hurt others with their **WORDS**
4. The proud are scorers and **MOCKERS**
5. The proud get others **MAD** or upset
6. The proud **PICK** on the weak and poor
7. The proud have no spiritual **APPETITE** or desire
8. The proud have no control over their **MOUTHS**
9. The proud do not follow God's **RULES**
10. The proud **LIE** about others
11. The proud seek to **DESTROY** others
12. Pride brings open **SHAME** and embarrassment
13. Pride brings trouble to the **FAMILY**
14. Pride brings the punishment and **WRATH** of God
15. Pride brings **DESTRUCTION** and failure

16. Pride brings lack of **INFLUENCE**
17. Pride brings **BONDAGE**
18. Pride brings a broken **RELATIONSHIP** with God
19. Pride brings **OPPOSITION** from God

PROVERBS II
Test 2 Review

Name: _____

Date: _____

1. The prudent consider tomorrow's **CONSEQUENCES**
for today's **ACTIONS**
2. The prudent do not tell all they **KNOW**
3. The prudent do not act on **EMOTION** or hearsay
4. The prudent do not stop at knowing **WHAT**, but also **HOW**
5. The prudent do not believe everything they **HEAR**
6. The prudent do not ever quit **LEARNING**
7. The prudent do not buck at **CORRECTION**
8. The prudent do not let **LEARNING** go in one ear and out the other
9. Finding a prudent person is a **GIFT** from God
10. The prudent do not even walk in the **DIRECTION** of wrong
11. A scorner finds pleasure in **MOCKING** others
12. A scorner ends up being **PUNISHED** and mocked by God
13. A scorner doesn't listen when **CORRECTED**
14. A scorner can't get **WISDOM**
15. A scorner sees the **AUTHORITY** as the enemy

16. A scorner has a **PRIDE** problem and uses his scorning to get attention
17. A scorner is eventually **DISDAINED** by others
18. A scorner doesn't know the whole **STORY**, but act as if they do
19. A scorner **HURTS** those around them
20. A scorner is too busy **CRITICIZING** others to actually do anything themselves
21. Don't **PUBLICALLY** reprove, rebuke, or reprimand a scorner
22. Make sure you don't take out your **FRUSTRATION** with them on others
23. Their punishment is not as much for their sake as to help the **SIMPLE** not to follow them
24. Have a plan and rule already in place (**ACT**, don't **REACT**)
25. If punishment is not effective for them (and it seldom is) **REMOVE** them to avoid confrontation and dissension.

PROVERBS II
Test 3 Review

Name: _____

Date: _____

1. The sluggard is not a **SELF-STARTER**
2. The sluggard is a **PROCRASTINATOR**
3. The sluggard lives life a day **LATE** and a dollar **SHORT**
4. The sluggard becomes a **LIABILITY** to others as well
5. The sluggard will never be able to be out front because he is a **COASTER**
6. The sluggard is a waster of both **TIME** and **GOODS**
7. The sluggard lives on his good **INTENTIONS** and other people's
hard **WORK**
8. The sluggard will remain in a **CYCLE** of struggle and difficulty
9. Slothfulness is **ADDICTIVE** and self-destructive
10. The sluggard refuses to work not because he **CAN'T**, but because he
WON'T
11. The sluggard is always full of **EXCUSES** why they can't work
12. The sluggard is not ashamed to depend on **OTHERS** to give him what
he should have gotten **HIMSELF**

13. The sluggard is **BLINDED** to the effects of his own laziness
14. The sluggard is not always **INACTIVE**, but is always
UNPRODUCTIVE
15. The sluggard is unreasonable and **STUBBORN**
16. The upright and just will be **BLESSED** by God
17. The upright and just make righteousness a **WAY** of **LIFE**
18. The upright and just know **WHAT** to say and **HOW** and
WHEN to say it
19. The upright and just are seeking to **INCREASE** their righteousness
all the time
20. The upright and just are prone to make good **DECISIONS**
21. The upright and the just will be **DELIVERED** by godliness
and by God
22. The upright and the just are people of **PRAYER**
23. The upright and the just find pleasure in doing things the **RIGHT** and
FAIR way

24. The upright and the just don't **QUIT** when they fall

25. The upright and the just will not be **APPRECIATED** by the
unrighteous and the unjust

PROVERBS II
Test 4 Review

Name: _____

Date: _____

ATTRIBUTES OF THE STRANGE WOMAN:

1. She tells you what you want to **HEAR**, even if she knows it's not true
2. She is a **SWEET** talker and a **SMOOTH** talker
3. She will **DRESS** in such a way to get your attention and stir up your wicked flesh
4. She **PREYS** on ignorant and immature people
5. She is territorial and **POSSESSIVE**
6. She will patiently wait for your **WEAKEST** moment
7. She can be identified by her **APPEARANCE**
8. She is crafty and **DEVIOUS**
9. She is **BOISTEROUS** and likes attention
10. She is stubborn and unwilling to **YIELD** or give in
11. She would rather be out and about than at **HOME**
12. She is always hanging around with and getting closer to the **GUYS**
13. She is **AGGRESSIVE** and controlling
14. She will use a **PHYSICAL** relationship to get what she wants

15. She is **SHAMELESS** and forward
16. She tries to make it appear that she is a **GOOD** person
17. She tries to make you think you're **SPECIAL**, even though you're
just another **NUMBER**
18. She is **SEDUCTIVE** and manipulative
19. She is only concerned about the short term **PLEASURE**, not the
long term **COMMITMENT**
20. She is **REBELLIOUS**, unfaithful, and sneaky
21. She is **PERSUASIVE** and convincing
22. She must be **AVOIDED** and fled from
23. She can take down the **WEAK** or the **STRONG**
24. She has the **POWER** to damn a soul
25. She will take everything you have and leave you **EMPTY**
26. She makes it easy to get **INTO** sin and hard to get **OUT** of it
27. She must glitter up the **OUTSIDE** to "make up" for what is
lacking on the **INSIDE**
28. She does not follow the **ADVICE** of her parents or counselors
29. She does not care what the **BIBLE** says, but goes her own way

- 30. She will use her **BODY**, her **EMOTIONS**, and her **EYES** to get what she wants
- 31. She will add you to the number of **FALLEN** and move on
- 32. She brings devastation, death and unrecoverable **RUIN** in the end

ATTRIBUTES OF THE VIRTUOUS WOMAN:

- 33. She makes her husband **BETTER** than he would be by himself
- 34. She is **INVALUABLE** to her husband
- 35. She makes sure her husband can **TRUST** her with any task she is given
- 36. She is looking for ways to **PLEASE** her husband and making sure
she never **HURTS** him
- 37. She is **INDUSTRIOUS** and gladly looks for things to do to help her family
- 38. She works hard at planning and preparing **MEALS** for her family
- 39. She puts meeting everyone else's' **NEEDS** before her own comfort
- 40. She knows how to look for a good **DEAL** and is wise with **MONEY** (not a rash spender)
- 41. She knows how to **WORK** hard and **SAVE** money through self-provision
- 42. She is not **AFRAID** of sweat, labor, and exercise
- 43. She works on her **OWN** projects once her family responsibilities are all done

42. She saves money by **MAKING** things instead of buying them
43. She is concerned about others and active in helping those less **FORTUNATE**
44. She cares for her own and her family's **CLOTHING** needs
45. She takes care of herself and keeps herself looking **NICE**
46. She protects and promotes the good **REPUTATION** of her husband to everyone
47. She makes some money by **SELLING** some things she has made
48. She remains stable, **RESPECTABLE**, and patient
49. She **THINKS** before she **SPEAKS** and uses words that bring others joy
50. She keeps herself busy and makes her **FAMILY** her main responsibility
51. She is well **LOVED** by those who know her best and see no hypocrisy
52. She goes a step above at everything she **DOES**, but even more at everything she **IS**
53. She keeps a right relationship with God her first **PRIORITY**
54. She has a life that is a **TESTAMENT** to her hard work and faithfulness