

PROVERBS I

“What Proverbs Provides”

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Proverbs 1:1-4

Pr 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;
3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;
4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

I. To know - means _____ (what)

Pr 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

A. Without Bible knowledge we are _____.

Mt 22:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

“If we do not know the Book, we do not know anything.”

Pr 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

“The only indication that we may have come from a monkey is found in those who believe it.”

Ro 1:22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

“Though knowledge is profitable, knowledge of God’s Word is most important.”

“What percentage of what you know or are seeking to know is from the Bible?”

B. Without Bible knowledge we are _____.

Ho 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

“There is no way you can succeed in life without following God’s plan and there is no way to know God’s plan unless you read God’s plan.”

“At the end of a man’s best effort in the flesh is always a bad result.”

Pr 14:12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

C. We get Bible knowledge through _____.

2Ti 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

“There is a good chance that you will need to read the whole Bible to gain from the whole Bible.”

Ne 8:18 Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day [was] a solemn assembly, according unto the manner.

“There is a good chance that you will need to read it more than once to know it!”

“As your life changes, your perspective of God’s Word changes; keep reading it all your life.”

“There is no segment or era of your life that you will not need the influence and instruction of God’s Word.”

“Make sure nothing gets more of your reading time in life than the only Book that tells you about life.”

“Reading the car manual won’t get you to your destination. Reading the map will.”

Ps 119:35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.

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

D. We get Bible knowledge through _____.

Ps 119:11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

2Ti 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

“What you once learned will not help you. Only what you remember.”

“If you have no Bible Memory plan, you are planning not to gain victory.”

“If your heart is empty of Scripture, your life is empty of success.”

“Most temptations do not wait for you to find your concordance.”

“An unloaded gun is as ineffective as no gun at all.”

“The devil is not threatened with the Bible you do not know, only by what you have hidden in your heart.”

II. To perceive – means _____ (how)

Pr 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

A. Without Bible understanding we are still _____.

Pr 7:7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,

Ps 119:130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

“Fact without understanding is simply information and has little chance of application.”

“A child can memorize the answer to a problem, but that doesn’t mean they can solve it.”

“Smart people know a lot, but brilliant people understand what they know.”

B. Without Bible understanding we are _____.

Pr 18:2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

Jer 4:22 For my people [is] foolish, they have not known me; they [are] sottish children, and they have none understanding: they [are] wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

“We do not have all the tools needed to make the right choices based only on information, we must also have understanding.”

“Understanding does not guarantee someone will make the right choice, but without understanding they are almost guaranteed not to.”

C. We get Bible understanding through _____.

2Ti 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

“The key to learning is repetition, but the key to understanding is study.”

“Study is work; therefore, it is usually laziness that prevents it.”

- **Text and Context**

- Law of “first mention”
- Built-in dictionary

Ge 49:17 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.

2Ch 9:14 Beside that which chapmen and merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon.

2Ch 34:10 And they put it in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repair and amend the house:

- Context of story

Ge 8:1 And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged:

2 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;

3 And the **waters returned** from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the **waters were abated**.

4 ¶ And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.

5 And the **waters decreased** continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.

7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the **waters were dried up** from off the earth.

Ge 17:10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, **between me and you** and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant **betwixt me and you**.

- **Comparison / Contrast**

Pr 4:16 For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; **and** their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall.

Pr 10:1 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: **but** a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

Pr 10:4 He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: **but** the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

- **Word Study / Phrase Study**

- Other Bible Passages
- Bible Dictionary
- Commentaries

- **Lexicon**

D. We get Bible understanding through _____.

Ne 8:8 So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused [them] to understand the reading.

“The job of the teacher is not simply to transfer facts, but through explanation to turn knowledge into understanding.”

“Information is like electricity, but teachers are like the switch. Without them the lights don’t come on!”

E. We get Bible understanding through _____.

Ps 119:99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies [are] my meditation.

“We have traded the art of musing for the act of amusing.”

“Meditation is like squeezing a sponge. The more you do it, the more you get out of it.”

* The rabbit and cow are meditators.

F. We get Bible understanding through God, Jesus, and the _____.

Ps 119:18 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

Lu 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

Lu 24:32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

Lu 24:45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

Joh 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Jo 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, [that] shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Jo 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

1Co 2:10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

“No one can give insight to a writing like the author.”

* Dr. Hyles on the airplane sitting next to a person reading his book

* Henry Ford stopped to help a man with a Model-T broken down by the roadside. “Go on old man, you won’t know much about a car so new.” Henry Ford drove off to leave the young man alone, saying, “It is too bad he didn’t know what he had available.”

III. To receive – means _____ (why)

Pr 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
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3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

A. Without Bible wisdom we are _____.

Pr 10:21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.

Pr 17:16 Wherefore [is there] a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing [he hath] no heart [to it]?

Pr 17:24 Wisdom [is] before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a fool [are] in the ends of the earth.

Pr 23:9 Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.

Pr 24:7 Wisdom [is] too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.

“A fool is someone who will not do what he needs to do even when he knows he needs to do it.”

“A fool is not someone who does not have wisdom available, but rather does not receive the wisdom that is available.”

“Knowing what to do and not doing it does not make you any better, only accountable.”

“Wisdom does not make you wise until you apply it any more than a check profits you until you cash it.”

B. Without Bible wisdom we are _____.

Pr 3:13 Happy [is] the man [that] findeth wisdom, and the man [that] getteth understanding.

“There is no way someone can go the wrong way and end up at the right place.”

“Your happiness is in direct proportion to your application of truth.”

“Ignorance may be bliss, but bliss will not take you anywhere in life. It just means you have a dumb grin on your face while you are going nowhere.”

C. We get Bible wisdom through _____.

Pr 1:5 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

Pr 8:14 Counsel [is] mine, and sound wisdom: I [am] understanding; I have strength.

Pr 12:15 The way of a fool [is] right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel [is] wise.

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

Pr 19:20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

Pr 24:6 For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors there is safety.

“If you never seek or heed counsel you will never excel your own level of wisdom, and that in itself makes you a fool.”

“If you think you have all the answers, you are the problem!”

“Even the man who was where I am and did it wrong is still probably smarter than the one who has never been there before.”

“Why is it that the parents with all the answers have no children and the parents with all the children have no answers?”

“You may have to swallow your pride to ask for directions, or you can stay proud of the fact that you are still lost without anyone else’s help.”

D. We get Bible wisdom through _____.

Pr 18:1 Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh [and] intermeddleth with all wisdom.

Pr 14:16 A wise [man] feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.

“There is no way you can walk with the skunks and come out smelling like a rose.”

“If you stay away from the wrong places and the wrong people you will have a much better chance of not doing the wrong thing.”

“Staying in a good place puts you in a position of coming in contact with good progress.”

“It is very hard to find wisdom in the house of a fool.”

E. We get Bible wisdom through _____ God.

Pr 9:10 The fear of the LORD [is] the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy [is] understanding.

“Until you have a respect for God, you will follow very little of His advice.”

“Until you have a better track record, you may want to consider God’s opinion.”

“Whenever you choose your way over God’s way, you just proved how big of a fool you really are.”

F. We get Bible wisdom through _____.

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

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

Pr 22:15 Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

Pr 29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left [to himself] bringeth his mother to shame.

“Correction is the opportunity for you to save yourself the trouble of repeating your mistakes.”

“There is a big difference between getting punished and receiving correction.”

“Someone who makes mistakes is simply a human. Someone who repeats his mistakes is a foolish man. Someone who learns from his mistakes and therefore avoids making them again is a wise man.”

“Punishment fixes nothing, it is only the repercussion for wrong. Correction is turning wrong doing around and making it right.”

G. We get Bible wisdom through _____.

Pr 8:33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

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.

Ec 12:9 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.

1Co 2:4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:
5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.
6 ¶ Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:
7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:
8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.
9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.
11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.
12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.
13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Col 1:28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

“Preaching is taking a biblical truth and making it pocketable.”

“Teaching gives you the clear understanding of a truth, preaching gives you the practical application of it.”

“Teaching explains what to do and how to do it. Preaching is inspiring you to do what you know you ought to do.”

H. We get Bible wisdom through _____ for it.

Pr 2:6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

Pr 4:5 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.

Pr 4:7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

Jas 1:5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all [men] liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

Jas 4:2 ... yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

“There is only one source of godly wisdom and that is from God whether directly or indirectly.”

“God is willing and wanting to give us wisdom more than we are willing and wanting to ask for it.”

“No one can ever blame God for not having the wisdom they need.”

I. We get Bible wisdom through the _____ of God.

Ps 19:7 The law of the LORD [is] perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD [is] sure, making wise the simple.

2Ti 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

“If godly wisdom can only come from God, then God’s Word is the greatest source of it.”

“If God’s Word gives wisdom, then the more you are in it and the more it is in you the more wisdom you can obtain.”

“Little Word = little wisdom. Lots of Word = lots of wisdom.”

J. We get Bible wisdom through _____.

Pr 11:30 The fruit of the righteous [is] a tree of life; and he that winneth souls [is] wise.

“Not only does winning souls prove you are wise, but God will give you wisdom for the purpose of winning souls.”

“Don’t forget, wisdom is the application of knowledge and understand. Knowing and understanding salvation only helps you and only helps others when shared and received.”

“God has nothing for which He would rather facilitate you than sharing the gospel.”

K. We get Bible wisdom through walking with _____ people.

Ps 37:30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.

Pr 13:20 He that walketh with wise [men] shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

Jer 5:5 I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for they have known the way of the LORD, and the judgment of their God: but these have altogether broken the yoke, and burst the bonds.

“You will become like those with whom you associate.”

“You cannot hang around a wise person, because a wise person does not hang around. You must walk with them.”

“So many people miss out on much wisdom because they were too busy listening to the fool.”

“Things become so clearly black and white when listening to the gray head.”

“Age does not guarantee wisdom, but it does provide more opportunity for it.”

“The man with ‘wisdom beyond his years’ has paid attention to those who have lived beyond his years.”

“It is hard to top the experience of the Eternal One!”

L. We get Bible wisdom by using the _____ we already have received.

Da 2:21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

“God said one of the most precious things is wisdom. If you waste the wisdom you have, He will not be inclined to give you more until you prove you are a good steward of what you have already received.”

M. We get Bible wisdom through seeking more _____.

Pr 10:14 Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

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

“A wise person will seek after more knowledge because it is the first building block to obtaining more wisdom.

“When you stop seeking knowledge you stop the potential of wisdom.”

IV. To give – means _____ (who)

Pr 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;
3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;
4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

A. Without Bible teaching we are _____.

Heb 5:12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which [be] the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.

“God gives us nothing to squander to ourselves. Even salvation is meant to be shared!”

“Sitting on what you have learned is being selfish with what God has given.”

“When you do not share wisdom, you prove you are unworthy to receive much more.”

B. Without Bible teaching we are _____.

Col 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

“That with no outlet turns stagnant at best and becomes a breeding place of death.”

“There is a reason the ‘Dead Sea’ cannot sustain life, nothing flows out of it.”

C. We are to teach the Bible with our _____.

De 6:7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

Eze 44:23 And they shall teach my people [the difference] between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

Ac 5:42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

“What have you done in the last 7 days to share with someone the truths of God’s Word?”

“Sharing anything outside of Christ is simply temporal at best.”

“Trying to build someone’s life without the foundation of salvation is nothing more than a sand castle.”

“Soulwinning is purely an unselfish act for others.”

“Your responsibility to teach truth does not end when someone gets saved, it has only begun.”

Mt 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

D. We are to teach the Bible with our _____.

Ex 35:34 And he hath put in his heart that he may teach, [both] he, and Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

2Ti 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

2Ti 2:24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all [men], apt to teach, patient,

“Knowledge can be transferred from head to head, but the greatest teachers transfer truth from heart to heart.”

“The excitement and efficiency of teaching truth lays more within the heart of the teacher than the mind of the student.”

“Getting students that love to learn starts with finding a teacher who loves to teach.”

“When the teacher is laborious in their teaching the students are bored with learning.”

“Nothing is as monotonous as listening to someone speak who has no passion for their subject.”

“Even weak minds are intrigued by strong spirits.”

E. We are to teach the Bible with our _____.

Ex 18:20 And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.

1Co 11:1 Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.

Php 3:17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.

Php 4:9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

2Th 3:6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

7 For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;

8 Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you:

9 Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.

1Ti 4:12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Tit 2:3 The aged women likewise, that [they be] in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,

5 To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

6 Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.

7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,

8 Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.

“Example is the best teacher and the inexperienced is the best potential student.”

“People will believe and incorporate far much more of what they see than what they hear.”

“It often seems like the only thing you say that people pay attention to is whatever does not line up with what you do.”

“The authority of your word is authenticated by the consistency of your conduct.”

“Knowledge equips you to teach from your head. Understanding enables you to teach from your heart. But wisdom qualifies you to lead by your life’s example.”

PROVERBS I

"Attributes of the Simple"

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The “simple” (*Hebrew word, peth-ee’ or peh-thee*) means unlearned, untaught, immature, silly, or gullible.

1. The simple need the _____ of _____

Pr 1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;
3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;
4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

“The simple lack knowledge, understanding, wisdom, and discretion. God’s Word is the greatest source for all of these.”

“We should begin early and continue often the teaching of the Bible to the simple ones.”

De 6:6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:
7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.
8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.
9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

Ps 19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

Ps 119:130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

“The Word of God is our provider of knowledge truth and our protection from ignorance and deception.”

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
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:
14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;
15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

“Nothing prepares you for life like the principles from the Book written by the Creator of life.”

“The most important source of education is not found in an institutional building, but rather in and inspired Book!”

“No teacher can top the experience or knowledge of an eternal, omniscient God.”

“When we took the Bible out of the classroom, we doomed our children to lives of ignorance and immorality.”

2. The simple seldom strive on their _____ to get out of simplicity

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

“It is the job of the learned and the wise to teach the simple and pull them up to knowledge.”

“Fools despise knowledge and resist it. The simple just need encouragement to obtain knowledge.”

“The simple will adjust to living at their current state of knowledge, unaware that they can or should improve.”

“We should not only teach the simple, but inspire them to attain more knowledge on their own.”

“Remember that the simple are a blank page waiting to be written on. Be careful what you write!”

3. The simple all _____ out that way

Pr 7:7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,

“All youth start out simple, but not all the simple are youth.”

“Experience brings opportunity for wisdom, but it does not guarantee it.”

“The young man has no experience and therefore only has wisdom offered him by the experience of others.”

“Children are bound to act like children because they are children. But when adults act like children it is usually because they have refused wisdom along the way.”

“Do not punish simplicity (no knowledge of the law), but punish sin (breaking of the known law).”

Nu 15:24 Then it shall be, if ought be committed by ignorance without the knowledge of the congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young bullock for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour unto the LORD, with his meat offering, and his drink offering, according to the manner, and one kid of the goats for a sin offering.

25 And the priest shall make an atonement for all the congregation of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it is ignorance: and they shall bring their offering, a sacrifice made by

fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their ignorance:

26 And it shall be forgiven all the congregation of the children of Israel, and the stranger that sojourneth among them; seeing all the people were in ignorance.

Ps 116:6 The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.

Ac 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

“Do not expect kids to do or be what you have not taught them to do or be, however, do not excuse their behavior of immaturity if they knew better.”

“Do not punish children based on your level of embarrassment, but rather on their level of accountability.”

4. The simple CAN obtain _____; they just don't have it yet

Pr 8:5 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.

“We should strive to teach the teachable and help those who want help.”

“Don't give up on or become frustrated with the simple ones, teach them.”

“Our impatience with the simple is to our shame not theirs.”

“Our job is to lay the opportunity for understanding out for all and see who is willing to take it.”

“You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink.”

“Continue to keep a desire for both the simple and the foolish to obtain understanding.”

5. The simple are often _____ by other simple ones, the foolish, and the wicked

Pr 9:13 A foolish woman is clamorous: she is simple, and knoweth nothing.
14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city,
15 To call passengers who go right on their ways:
16 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: and as for him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,
17 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant.
18 But he knoweth not that the dead are there; and that her guests are in the depths of hell.

“The simple ones, the foolish, and the wicked have trouble getting a following from the knowledgeable, the learned, the understanding, and the wise.”

“The simple are willing to do what those that know better would not do.”

“The simple will follow the blind or the blinding blindly.”

Pr 7:5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words.
6 ¶ For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,
7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,
8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,
9 In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night:
10 And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.
11 (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:
12 Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)
13 So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him,
14 I have peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.
15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.
16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt.
17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

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

19 For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey:

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

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

22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;

23 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it is for his life.

24 ¶ Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.

25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.

26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her.

27 Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.

“The wicked love to prey on the innocence of the simple.”

“Hollywood and the music industry all target the youth. They have less money, but they also have weaker morals.”

“The world uses the whining of the children to get the wealth of the parents.”

6. The simple are _____ and credulous

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

“The simple are easily led and convinced.”

“This is just as true on the side of right as on the side of wrong.”

“The simple do not complicate faith.”

Mr 10:13 And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them.

14 But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

15 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

16 And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

“It is said that over 80% of all those who receive Christ do so before the age of 13.”

“Simplicity is the pathway to faith, for faith is believing what we cannot see or understand.”

“Simplicity is also the doorway to deception.”

“Avoid being credulous by ensuring credibility.”

“Avoid being thick headed by remaining open minded.”

“There is a happy medium found between being gullible and being skeptical.”

Mt 10:16 Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

7. Simplicity is sometimes _____

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

“Everyone is born simple, but you are not doomed to stay that way.”

“You already pass sin on to your children. Don’t pass along stupidity too!”

“What you do not know is hard to teach to your children. If you can’t learn it in order to teach them, find someone who can.”

“Understand that just because you know something does not automatically mean your children will know it. It takes teaching.”

“The result of no teaching is no knowledge and the result of no knowledge is bad decisions.”

“No one ever got smart accidentally. Either they or others purposed to pour knowledge into them.”

8. The simple can learn from the _____ of others, but the fool must try it himself

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.

“The simple are not brilliant, but they are smart enough to avoid trouble if they saw someone else get punished.”

“Use ambiguous illustrations of people’s failures and consequences to help train the simple.”

“We are told not to reprove or rebuke a scorner because it won’t help them.”

Pr 9:7 He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked man getteth himself a blot.
8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.

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

“We are told to smite, punish, and cast out a scorner.” The key is action not talk.”

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.

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

“Usually the punishment is more for the benefit and protection of the simple than the scorner.”

“It is necessary sometimes for you to connect the dots for the simple so they get the picture clearly.”

9. The simple seldom consider the _____ of tomorrow, but base their decisions and actions on the conditions of today

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

Pr 27:12 A prudent man foreseeeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.

“Until we learn first to consider the destination, we will continue to make poor decisions that take us the wrong direction.”

“Help look down the road for the simple, but also teach them how to look down the road for themselves.”

“Most people would be willing to avoid hardship if they knew about it ahead of time.”

“Some things about tomorrow you cannot know until tomorrow. But if you will learn from your yesterdays today you will have better tomorrows.”

“The best way to become a seer of the future is by becoming a student of the past.”

“Not only does history repeat itself, so does stupidity.”

10. The only area God would have us to remain simple is concerning _____

Ro 16:19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.

“Don’t let people criticize you for sheltering your children about sin.”

“Do not be unlearned about the consequences of sin, only the conducting of it.”

“Know what sin produces tomorrow, not how it feels today.”

“It is not necessary to pet a snake to know it is dangerous.”

“Know about the traps the devil sets, but not how it feels to be caught in one.”

2Co 2:11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

“We should strive to be an expert at righteousness and an amateur at unrighteousness.”

“I would much rather be thankful for the grace of God that kept me from falling, than the mercy of God that picked me up when I fell.”

“God’s forgiveness will remove the stains of sin but not the scars of sin.”

“I would much rather believe God’s warning concerning the destruction of sin, than to have a personal testimony about it.”

“There is no better testimony than the one of sin avoided.”

“It is a wonderful thing for two sinners to be talking about sin and for you to not have a clue what they mean!”

“It is hard to remain a clean Christian if you keep digging in the world’s dumpster.”

“Bank tellers are never trained with counterfeit money, only the real thing.”

“Freedom, victory, and success are rooted in pursuing the truth and righteousness.”

Jos 1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

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

PROVERBS I

"Attributes of the Fool"

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1. A fool refuses to _____ God

Ps 14:1 The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.

This does not just refer to atheists, but rather anyone who in any way refuses to acknowledge God is a fool.

"There are philosophical fools (atheists) and there are practical fools (lost people and carnal Christians)."

- **Some refuse to acknowledge God in _____, they are fools.**

Ge 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Ex 20:11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Col 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:
17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

Re 4:11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

- **Some refuse to acknowledge God for _____, they are fools.**

Ps 3:8 Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is upon thy people. Selah.

Ps 68:20 He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto GOD the Lord belong the issues from death.

Ac 4:11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.
12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Ga 2:16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Tit 3:5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

Heb 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

- **Some refuse to acknowledge God by _____, they are fools.**

De 11:26 Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;
27 A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:
28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

Pr 15:3 The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

Ro 14:12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

2Co 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

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

Col 3:5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

Tit 1:15 Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

- **Some refuse to acknowledge God by _____, they are fools.**

Mt 13:58 And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

Mt 17:19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

Mt 21:22 And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

Jas 1:6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

Jas 4:2 Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

1Jo 5:14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:
15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

- Some refuse to acknowledge God by _____ on self, they are fools.

Pr 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

Pr 28:26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

2. A fool wants to remain foolish and they _____ knowledge and learning

Pr 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

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

Pr 10:21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.

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

Pr 17:16 Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing he hath no heart to it?

Pr 18:2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

"It is not always so much that a fool does not know better as much as that they don't want to know better."

"A fool resents anyone telling them what to do or how to do something even if the information could help them."

“Not only will a fool refuse to seek knowledge, understanding, or wisdom, but they will also shut their ears to it when it is given.”

“A simple person has never been handed knowledge, a wise person seeks it, but a fool has pushed it away.”

“It is sad to not have knowledge available, it is stupid to have it available but refuse to seek it.”

“Be a listener, be an observer, be a reader, and be a student.”

Ho 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

3. A fool will be ashamed and _____ in the end

Pr 3:35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools.

“The fool refuses to see the shame that comes tomorrow in exchange for the satisfaction of doing their own thing today.”

“The fool believes that people are laughing with them when they don’t understand they are laughing at them and later neither will be laughing.”

4. A fool will run their _____ and not shut up, but says nothing of value

Pr 9:13 A foolish woman is clamorous: she is simple, and knoweth nothing.

Pr 10:8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.

Pr 10:10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.

Pr 10:14 Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

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

- Pr 13:16 Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.
- Pr 14:33 Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but that which is in the midst of fools is made known.
- Pr 15:2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.
- Pr 15:7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish doeth not so.
- Pr 15:14 The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.
- Pr 18:7 A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul.
- Pr 29:11 A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards.

“The best way to detect a fool is by listening for who is talking when no one else is.”

“The fool feels the necessity to say something even if they have nothing to say.”

“The fool is too foolish to hide their folly, but rather advertise it with their mouth.”

“There is a great difference between talking and saying something.”

“The best thing to say when you don’t know anything is nothing.”

“It is often hard to understand a fool because they usually have both feet in their mouth.”

“I have never met a vegetarian fool – they all eat crow.”

5. A fool is a heartache and a problem for their _____

- Pr 10:1 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.
- Pr 14:1 Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

Pr 15:20 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.

Pr 17:21 He that begetteth a fool doeth it to his sorrow: and the father of a fool hath no joy.

Pr 17:25 A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

Pr 19:13 A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.

“Fools make for irresponsible parents and irritating children.”

“No parent ever wished that someday their child would grow up to be a fool.”

“A parent will respect their child in nearly any occupation as long as they are respectable.”

“Only a fool tears down their own fortress – and the home should be our fortress.”

“Seldom does a parent weep over their children’s simplicity, but every parent finds heartache in their children’s foolishness.”

“It is much more often the failure to do what we know to do than failure to know what we need to know that hurts us.”

6. A fool is cruel and deceitful in their _____

Pr 10:18 He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool.

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

“Every tongue is shaped like a boomerang. Whatever kind of words you throw out are going to come back to you.”

“The fool believes they can use their tongue for a weapon of destruction without ever cutting themselves.”

“The fool uses lies trying to dig themselves out of trouble, but only make the hole they are in that much deeper.”

“The fool will eventually get to the place that they are the only one who believes what they say.”

7. A fool finds _____ others to be entertaining and funny

Pr 10:23 It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.

“A fool takes pleasure in others not having any.”

“A fool’s favorite game is getting under people’s skin and on their last nerve.”

“A fool not only laughs at another’s misfortune, they seek to cause it.”

“The only feeling a fool is concerned with is their own pleasure.”

“Vandalism is always the work of a fool. The only thing it gains is delight to the fool by bringing difficulty to the innocent.”

8. A fool will not succeed to a position of _____

Pr 11:29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart.

Pr 26:1 As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.

“Folly never gets you to the top of the corporate ladder or the pedestal of respect.”

“If a fool is ever in a position of leadership, they got their through placement not advancement.”

“The fool should be careful who they ridicule. They may eventually be working for them.”

“Stupid decisions never lead to successful destinations.”

“The potential highest percentage of foolish leaders is found in appointed positions.”

“Appointees are a reflection of the appointers. Appointers must choose their appointees based on accomplishments, not acquaintances.”

“Democracy was designed to prevent foolish appointees. And it works well until the majority of appointers are foolish.”

*“As an **appointer**, never choose charisma over character, appearance over achievement, or personality over policy.”*

*“As an **appointee**, never run on who you are or who you know, but rather on what you are and what you have done.”*

“Don’t forget that marriage is an appointed position with no term limits!”

“The fool seeks honor because of his title and position, because there is none found in his toil and principles.”

9. A fool has a major _____ problem

Pr 12:15 The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

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

Pr 28:26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

“A fool is never a ‘know-it-all’, but they are always a ‘think-they-know-it-all’.”

“Pride leaves you with nothing to be proud of in the end.”

“Never frustrate a fool with facts that contradict their opinions.”

“A fool is not concerned if they are going the wrong way or the right way as long as it is their way.”

10. A fool has an _____ and a self-control problem

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

Pr 27:3 A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both.

“The reason fools get upset is because not everything goes their way.”

“The fool has a hair-trigger temper and will blow up and speak their mind without a moment’s notice.”

“The fool only has one person’s feelings in mind and those are their own.”

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

11. A fool is drawn to _____ like a moth to fire

Pr 13:19 The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is abomination to fools to depart from evil.

Pr 14:16 A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.

“The fool convinces themselves that they are immune to sin and the exemption to every consequence.”

“If a fool ever gets away from foolishness and sin it is with much resistance and usually must be dragged away with much kicking and screaming.”

“It is hard to warn a fool about sin because they are invincible in their own mind.”

1Co 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

12. A fool will _____ those around them

Pr 13:20 He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

“You cannot accompany a fool as they jump off a cliff and avoid the crash at the bottom just because they jumped first.”

“Sometimes a fool will use the simple to do what they are too smart to do themselves.”

“Being the companion of a fool makes you guilty by association.”

“There are only two kinds of people who follow a fool – the simple and other fools.”

“Foolishness is slightly contagious, but it can also kill you without you ever contracting it.”

13. A fool thinks sin is _____

Pr 14:9 Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous there is favour.

“Fools mock sin because of pride in their heart, a lack of acceptance of its consequences in their head, and an enjoyment of wickedness in their soul.”

“The world always tries to get us laughing at sin to build our tolerance to it.”

“You will no longer be sickened by what you now think is funny.”

“Fools learn to mock the sin of others as well as the sin within themselves.”

14. A fool is a poor _____ manager

Pr 14:24 The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools is folly.

Pr 21:20 There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.

“The fool is seldom prudent for tomorrow because that brings no pleasure for today.”

“The fool refuses to look at reality which makes them a very poor steward.”

“The fool would much rather blow money on entertainment than use money for investment.”

“The fool lives for themselves and lives for today, so they are not sharers and they are not savers.”

“Do not frustrate a fool with fiscal facts that may hamper their horrible spending habits.”

“A fool is not fiscally ignorant, just fiscally irresponsible.”

“Riches are a byproduct of wisdom – but they are riches that last.”

- Pr 3:13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.
 14 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.
 15 She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
 16 Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.
- Pr 8:12 I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.
 13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.
 14 Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.
 15 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.
 16 By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth.
 17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.
 18 Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.
- Pr 14:24 The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools is folly.
- Mt 6:19 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:
 20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:
 21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.
- 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.
 11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

15. A fool is _____ and inappropriate in their speech

- Pr 17:7 Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.
- Pr 19:1 Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

“A fool is not concerned about protecting their integrity, but rather speaking their mind.”

“A fool seeks to impress themselves and others with their crass and off-colored speech.”

“A fool often tries to hide the insecurity of their soul with the insensitivity of their speech.”

“Appropriate speech requires forethought of others not just of self.”

“Appropriateness is becoming a lost art.”

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

16. A fool does not respond to _____

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

“It is hard to correct a fool not always because they don’t know they are wrong, but rather because they don’t care.”

“A fool’s refusal to receive correction is not an acknowledgement problem, it is an apathy problem. It is not that you are not getting through to their head, but rather you aren’t getting through to their heart.”

“Repetitive offenses are the calling card of a fool.”

“A fool’s pride is stronger than their common sense.”

17. A fool will eventually be met by someone who can’t _____ it

Pr 17:12 Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.

“When judgment day comes for the fool, it is not pretty.”

“No fool can plead ignorance or insanity. Foolishness is always competent and often premeditated.”

“At some point every fool is dealt with by someone with no more patience for foolishness.”

18. A fool seeks and creates _____

Pr 18:6 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.

"A fool loves to be a button pusher."

"The fool finds delight in stirring the pot."

"The fool will often argue about things they don't even believe to be true, but they love the fight even if they don't believe in the cause."

"If the fool can't find an argument to join in, they will create one."

"The fool loves to make a big deal about small matters."

"The fool will push verbiage to the point of violence."

19. A fool is always in other people's _____

Pr 20:3 It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.

"A fool cannot keep their nose or their opinions to themselves."

"A fool has a built-in radar for other people's problems and is usually the first responder on the scene."

"The fool craves, carries, and creates gossip, criticism, and rumors."

"The fool is not interested in learning all the facts of people's problems, but just going with what they have and making up the rest."

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

"The fool gets lots of exercise running their mouth, stretching the truth, and jumping to conclusions."

20. A fool has no _____ when it is time to get down to business

Pr 24:7 Wisdom is too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.

“A fool can’t shut up concerning things of no importance, but he has no helpful input on weighty matters.”

“One way to mark a fool is by listening to them fill their conversation with vain words instead of valuable words.”

“A fool is always critical of the current policy but has no detailed plan on how to improve it.”

“A fool usually speaks in generalities, because specifics require thought, research, planning and facts.”

“A fool would rather be a talker than a thinker, so when business requires thought the fool has nothing to say.”

“The fool is never at a loss of words until the situation requires an addition of wisdom.”

21. A fool refuses to accept or apply _____ or _____ truth

Pr 26:7 The legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.

Pr 26:9 As a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so is a parable in the mouth of fools.

“Parables use practical lessons or examples to apply spiritual or moral truths. The fool not only does not seek knowledge, but refuses to apply to life what he does know.”

“The fool continues to go in circles in his life because he will not live the principles he hears.”

“The fool not only hurts progress in his own life, but in the lives of others from his poor example of not doing in his walk what he says in his talk.”

“Nothing is more damaging to truth than those who speak it, but refuse to personally apply it.”

22. A fool will eventually be _____ by God

Pr 26:10 The great God that formed all things both rewardeth the fool, and rewardeth transgressors.

“Sinful is the man who does wrong. Foolish is the man who thinks he will get away with it.”

“The fool is not prudent, so when judgment does not come today for today’s actions the fool thinks it is not coming.”

“A fool is not wise enough to see that trouble he has in the present may be a result of his foolishness from the past so he changes nothing in the future.”

Ps 107:17 Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted.

“When judgment falls today it is too late to change yesterday’s actions to avoid the judgment, but it is not too late to change tomorrow’s actions.”

Lu 12:20 But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

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

23. A fool refuses to learn the lessons of life and _____ the same actions

Pr 26:11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly.

“A fool will continue to repeat the same actions that brought about a negative result over and over again.”

“You can try to remove the fool from the foolish, but you can’t take the foolishness out of the fool.”

“The fool is not a fool because of what he does, but rather he does what he does because he is a fool.”

“Even punishment and consequences seldom deter a fool from returning to folly.”

“A fool usually has a terminal addiction to foolishness that they refuse break.”

PROVERBS I

“How to Handle the Fool”

Dr. Jack Bachman

1. _____ away and _____ away from the fool

Pr 9:6 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

Pr 13:20 He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

Pr 14:7 Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not in him the lips of knowledge.

“Fools cannot be helped because they don’t want help. Therefore, keep your distance so you do not suffer the fallout of the foolish.”

“Fool separation equals self preservation.”

“The best way to help a fool is not up close with your hand out, but rather from a great distance with your knees bent!”

2. _____ the fool even if it seems to do no good

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

Pr 26:3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.

“A lack of their receiving correction is not an excuse to quit punishing the fool.”

“You still have an obligation to be just and equitable in punishment, so the fool cannot be exempt from correction.”

“Punishing the fool is seldom a cure for the fool, but it can be a preventative for the simple.”

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.

3. Do not try to _____ with a fool

Pr 23:9 Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.

“We continue to speak the truth publically hoping at some point the fool will decide to listen, but going to the fool privately will only make them hate you more.”

“You should be willing to help the fool when they come to you ready to do right.”

“Leave an open door for the fool to come home, but do not spend your energy trying to push them or pull them through it.”

4. Do not get involved in their _____ or ranting

Pr 26:4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.

“This does not mean to not speak to the fool. It means do not speak to the fool like a fool.”

“Do not descend to their level, tactics, or spirit.”

“Remember, they are ‘button pushers’, so use self control to remain calm or silent in order to win.”

“Not every question or argument dignifies an answer.”

2Ti 2:23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.

5. Do tell the fool the _____ then leave it alone

Pr 26:5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.

“You do not always need to refute their foolishness, rather just proclaim the truth.”

“Use the Word of God for your answers. First, it has more authority than you do and secondly, if they don’t like it, their argument is with God not you.”

“Remember, the fool is not searching for facts, they are stirring frustration.”

“For the sake of the fool, do not allow their folly to go unaddressed, but answer with self control.”

“For the sake of the simple, do not allow the fool’s folly to go unrefuted, but answer with the truth.”

6. Do not _____ a fool with information or responsibility

Pr 26:6 He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, and drinketh damage.

“The fool is unreliable and irresponsible with other people’s money, things, and business.”

“The fool will usually skew information or communication to benefit themselves.”

“Remember that the fool is not simple or stupid, but self-centered and stubborn.”

“The one that trusts a fool will suffer the consequences and regret.”

PROVERBS I

"Attributes of the Wise"

Dr. Jack Bachman

1. A wise person listens, pays attention, and enjoys _____

Pr 1:5 A wise [man] will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

Pr 10:14 Wise [men] lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish [is] near destruction.

Pr 16:23 The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.

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

"God gave you two ears and one mouth so listening must be twice as important."

"One can talk and many be helped, but have many talking and no one is helped."

"If you value listening more you may end up having something worth saying."

"Wisdom is only built upon the foundation of knowledge."

"Knowledge does not guarantee wisdom, but it provides the opportunity for it."

"Knowledge passes you by every day. Wise is the man that has his net out!"

"You will not gain from what you do not attain."

"Even a fool can stand in a library and gain nothing. A wise man starts reading."

“You do not personally have to discover every truth or piece of information. You must simply recover what others have already learned.”

“If you use a magnet at the junk yard most of what you pick up will be garbage. Use your magnet as close to pure sources as you can find.”

2. A wise person will gain _____ and _____ over his contemporaries

Pr 3:35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools.

Pr 11:29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool [shall be] servant to the wise of heart.

Pr 17:2 A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.

“A leader with personality may make people smile, but a leader with wisdom will make people happy.”

“Fame may lead you to a position, but only wisdom gives you power to bring positive change.”

“Churning and heat brings two things to the top – dross and cream. One is brought to the top in order to be discarded and one is brought to the top to be used.”

“Favoritism and nepotism may put people in places for awhile, but eventually a wise man will trump all shallow prejudices.”

“You don’t have to waste time putting down a foolish man. Just be patient and he will show his true colors.”

3. A wise person is not _____ in their work

Pr 6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

Pr 10:5 He that gathereth in summer [is] a wise son: [but] he that sleepeth in harvest [is] a son that causeth shame.

“A wise person will always be a good steward of time, truth, talent, and treasure.”

“If a fool is a sluggard, a waster, and a procrastinator than logic tells us that a wise person will be a hard worker, a saver, and a self-starter.”

“Foolish is the man who trades tomorrow’s commodities for today’s convenience.”

“If you keep putting off saving until tomorrow, what will you have when you run out of todays?”

“He who procrastinates work today is busy stockpiling regrets for tomorrow.”

“If I miscalculate my time or money, I would rather be stuck with too much than too little.”

“I can much easier find a way to use what I have too much of than materialize what I don’t have enough of.”

“If you are ever going to waste time, only do it on the other side of the deadline.”

4. A wise person wants to know how to do things _____

Pr 8:33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

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.

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

Pr 19:20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

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

Pr 23:19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.

“The wise person is as interested in the how to do something as the doing of it.”

“There is a big difference between doing something and doing something right.”

“The wise person would rather take the time to read the instructions than hurry into failure.”

“The wise person saves time by doing things slowly once, instead of rushing through them three times.”

“The wise person realizes that the more highlight marks they make in the instructions, the less red “X’s” the teacher will have to make on their paper.”

“The wise person is gladly willing to trade listening to rebuke for listening to instruction.”

“The wise person not only learns from their mistakes; they avoid them by learning from the mistakes of others.”

5. A wise person accepts _____ gladly

Pr 9:8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.

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

“A wise person does not love the rebuke, they love the person willing to help them avoid the same mistake twice.”

“A fool blames the bad feelings of rebuke on the rebuker, but the wise man blames himself.”

“When you take rebuke personally you will be hurt, when you personally take rebuke you will be helped.”

“View every mistake as an opportunity for perfecting.”

“Until you learn to accept correction you will get nothing except correction.”

6. A wise person is a delight to their _____

- Pr 10:1 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son [is] the heaviness of his mother.
- Pr 15:20 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.
- Pr 23:15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine.
- Pr 23:24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise [child] shall have joy of him.
- Pr 27:11 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him that reproacheth me.

“No one turns out right accidentally.”

“The wise person is seeking to bring their parents joy by avoiding regrets.”

“Nothing does a parent’s heart good like having children with a good heart!”

- 3Jo 1:4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

“The greatest repayment you can make for your parents giving you life is not to waste your life.”

“A parent’s greatest pride is not found in their child’s title, occupation, or salary, but rather in their character, godliness, and faithfulness.”

“A wise child will cause a parent to still hold their chin up in a foolish world.”

7. A wise person is _____

- Pr 10:8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.
- Pr 13:14 The law of the wise [is] a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
- Pr 28:7 Whoso keepeth the law [is] a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous [men] shameth his father.

“Disobedience is an outward expression of one’s inward commitment to self-destruction.”

“A wise person knows that obedience keeps him in a position for achievement.”

“If it is a wise man who submits to authority, it is a foolish man who mandates his own way.”

“Wise is the person who does not only obey what he understands, but also seeks to understand what he obeys.”

“Obeying a command is an action, but receiving a command is an attitude.”

8. A wise person controls his _____

Pr 10:19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips [is] wise.

Pr 17:28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: [and] he that shutteth his lips [is esteemed] a man of understanding.

Pr 29:11 A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise [man] keepeth it in till afterwards.

“Wisdom is held in the heart, but it is displayed by the mouth.”

“Often wisdom is shown more by what one does not say than by what one does say.”

“The wisest word not often enough said is ‘Nothing’.”

Pr 13:3 He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

“The mouth is the thing easiest to open and hardest to shut.”

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

“If God can shut up the Ark’s door, the Red Sea, and the lions’ mouths, there is hope for us too!”

Ps 141:3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

9. A wise person is a _____

Pr 11:30 The fruit of the righteous [is] a tree of life; and he that winneth souls [is] wise.

“Knowing the gospel is knowledge. Comprehending the gospel is understanding. Receiving and sharing the gospel is wisdom.”

“If he that winneth souls is wise, then he that does not win souls is foolish.”

“All your conversation about temporal things will not mean anything in eternity.”

“What wiser way to use your words than to share with someone the Words of Life?”

“A wise person invests in eternal things.”

“Going soulwinning is a wise choice and God will give more wisdom to those who use the wisdom they have.”

Da 2:21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

10. A wise person gets and heeds _____

Pr 12:15 The way of a fool [is] right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel [is] wise.

“The verse implies that wisdom must include turning from your own way.”

“The verse includes that you must seek counsel in order to heed counsel.”

“The verse indicates that you must apply the counsel you sought in order for it to make you wise.”

“It is the fool who thinks he knows all the answers, needs no advice, or forsakes the counsel he receives.”

“It takes the wisdom to seek wisdom to get more wisdom.”

“To some extent then, our wisdom is tied proportionally to our humility to seek help.”

“What boasting is there in that you achieved failure without anyone’s assistance?”

“Wisdom does not mean you have all the answers. It means you know where to find the answers.”

“Even if you are smart enough to know the answer, it is still wise to confirm it with someone else.”

Pr 15:22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

Pr 20:18 Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.

“He who refuses to seek counsel often fears his own opinion to be wrong.”

“Wiser is the preventer than the corrector!”

11. A wise person uses his _____ to strengthen and to help others

Pr 12:18 There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise [is] health.

“Wise words are not used as shotgun pellets or machinegun bullets fired into a crowd, but rather as a skilled surgeon’s scalpel intricately cutting or a sculptor carefully shaping his image.”

“The wise man always holds his words by the handle of purpose and with the grip of love.”

“The words of the wise are always weighed in the scale of truth and love and delivered when there is a perfect balance of both.”

“The wise man is not satisfied refusing to use his tongue for evil. He is determined to use it for the good of others.”

12. A wise person stays with the right _____

Pr 13:20 He that walketh with wise [men] shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

“If you sleep with the dogs, don’t be surprised when you end up with fleas!”

“He that walks with a fool is guilty by association.”

“The best way to learn good things is from good people so choose wisely your acquaintances.”

“It is wise to stay close to wise people. Not only will you gain wisdom, but you will not have to push away the fools. They repel themselves from wisdom.”

“Separation is more about being with the right crowd than avoiding the wrong crowd.”

“Wisdom and foolishness are both contagious. But they are not airborne, rather they are spread through contact.”

13. A wise person is concerned about helping _____ relationships

Pr 14:1 Every wise woman buildeth her house (*family*): but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

“The core of a society is the family. Therefore, the strength of family values determines the stability and prosperity of each generation.”

“A community can be no stronger than its family virtues.”

“To tear down core family values is to pull the foundation out from under that country’s future.”

“A house divided breeds a nation divided and neither will ever survive.”

Mt 12:25 And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

“Building a business to provide for your family is not as important as building your family, which is your business.”

“What your children will remember when they are grown is not what you gave them, but what you did with them.”

“The greatest position you can hold to mold our future is that of a godly parent.”

“Your greatest influence on your grandchildren will be mostly a product of what you did before you were a grandparent.”

“If you are too busy to raise your children, you are too busy! And there is more to raising kids than keeping them washed, fed, and clothed.”

“We have a society where most children are left to raise themselves either through parental neglect or misplaced priorities. The result is not early maturity, but rather scarred values.”

Pr 29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

14. A wise person avoids _____ knowing they can _____

Pr 14:16 A wise [man] feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.

“Only a fool feels confident around the slippery slope of sin.”

1Co 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

“The wise person does not see how close they can get to sin, but rather how far they can keep from it.”

“If you trip a mile from the edge of the cliff, you won’t fall far!”

“Sin always leads you down. A careful person watches their steps and holds on to the handrail, but a wise person just stays off the down escalator.”

“It is unlikely your hands will ever be stained by the sins you keep out of your reach.”

“Abstinence is always more effective than caution.”

“The best way to grab a snake is...don't!”

15. A wise person frugally _____, methodically _____, and carefully _____ true riches.

Pr 14:24 The crown of the wise [is] their riches: [but] the foolishness of fools [is] folly.

Pr 21:20 [There is] treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.

“A wise person is more concerned about owing little than having much.”

“The greatest safeguard to economic crisis is debtlessness.”

Pr 22:27 If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?

Ro 13:8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

“The best way to increase what you have is to decrease what you lose!”

“If your outgo exceeds your income then your upkeep will be your downfall.”

“No one ever became wealthy by spending 100% of what they made.”

“Not everyone has the same opportunity to get more of what they don't have, but we all have the same opportunity to keep more of what we do have.”

“Spending is a deficit, saving is an asset, giving is an investment!”

“Wisdom stores up moral quality more than monetary quantity.”

“A wise person never trades a dollar in their pocket for a ding in their character.”

“Your stewardship with money shows your trustworthiness with things of real value.”

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.

11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

“Christians don’t check their bankbook but rather the Good Book to determine their wealth!”

“Real treasures do not change value with the markets or the economy.”

Pr 3:13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

14 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

15 She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

16 Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.

17 Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

“Possessing what the wealthiest cannot buy makes you the richest of all.”

“No one is so poor as those who have nothing but money.”

“Remember that the King of Kings was born in a stable, worked as a common carpenter, and had no place to lay His head.”

“It is a shame that Jesus didn’t have a TV to hear about the prosperity gospel!”

“The wise will not always be wealthy by the word’s standard, but neither will they be in want because they are good stewards of what they have.”

16. A wise person will gain favor and appreciation from his _____

Pr 14:35 The king's favour [is] toward a wise servant: but his wrath is [against] him that causeth shame.

“Wise people make wise decisions and wise decisions bring success and prosperity.”

“Foolish people make foolish decisions and foolish decisions bring shame and poverty.”

“Personality will only get you so far. At some point you must be able to contribute to the success and health of the company.”

“A wise person will help the bottom line by finding ways to increase the income and being a better steward of the outgo.”

“Is your contribution a bigger asset or liability to your boss and leaders?”

“It is hard to be mad at the person doing the most work and saving you the most money.”

“Seniority is not as securing as value. The dust under your bed has been there a long time too, but that does not increase your loyalty to it!”

17. A wise person is appropriate in their _____

Pr 15:2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

“Nothing is as valuable as knowing what to say, when to say it, how to say it, and when to shut up!”

“A good thing said at the wrong time is not much better than a bad thing said at the right time.”

“Seldom has anyone mistaken a rude person for a wise man.”

“It is common that a person’s tongue is attached to their throat; however, it is very rare to find someone whose tongue is attached to their brain!”

“A wise person weighs ahead of time what, when, how and if to say something.”

“Words are like puzzle pieces. There is a right place and a right time for each one and if you try to put them where or when they don’t fit you mess up the whole picture.”

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

“Nothing is as appropriate as appropriateness!”

“Nothing said is much better than the wrong thing said.”

“It is much easier to get forgiveness for silence than for stupidity.”

“You can always add to what you did not say, but you can never retrieve what you already said.”

“If you are in question as to whether or not your comment is appropriate, it is not!”

18. A wise person uses his knowledge to _____ others

Pr 15:7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish [doeth] not so.

“The goal is not to tell everyone what you know, but rather to be a source for what they need to know.”

“Wisdom is not as much displayed in how you make statements as in how you answer questions.”

2Ch 9:1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.
2 And Solomon told her all her questions: and there was nothing hid from Solomon which he told her not.

“Wise is the man who shares his knowledge with those seeking knowledge, but foolish is the man who hoards his knowledge to himself.”

“Wisdom was never intended simply to be pocketed.”

“Don’t bother sharing wisdom or knowledge with those who don’t want it or don’t know what to do with it.”

Pr 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

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

Mt 7:6 Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

19. A wise person is a _____

Pr 16:14 The wrath of a king [is as] messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.

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

“A wise person is quick to stifle wrath, a fool is quick to stir it.”

“A wise person will use a _____ to turn away wrath.”

Pr 16:20 He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.

Pr 27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

Mt 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

1Pe 3:14 But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;

1Pe 4:12 Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

14 If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.

“A wise person will use _____ to turn away wrath.”

- Pr 10:19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.
- Pr 26:4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.
- Isa 53:7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.
- 2Ti 2:23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
- 1Pe 2:21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:
22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:
23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:

“A wise person will use a _____ to turn away wrath.”

- Pr 15:1 A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.
- Ec 10:12 The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.

“A wise person will use _____ to turn away wrath.”

- Pr 14:29 He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.
- Pr 15:18 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.

Pr 16:32 He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

Pr 19:11 The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

Ec 7:9 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

Jas 1:19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

“A wise person will use _____ to turn away wrath.”

Pr 21:14 A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.

Mt 5:44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

Ro 12:17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

20. A wise person will _____ before he acts and is cautious about

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

“Wise is the man who understands that all actions have consequences.”

“Wise is the man who considers tomorrow’s results for today’s decisions.”

“Wise is the man who engages his mind long before he engages his mouth or his hands.”

“If it is an emergency today it will still be an emergency tomorrow.”

“It is better to pause first and land on your feet than to leap now and land on your head.”

“Nothing is so urgent that it requires no thought.”

“Nothing is easier to fix than the mistake you avoided through prudence!”

21. A wise person has a _____ heart

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

“According to this verse, the fool is at least 99 times more idiotic than the wise man.”

“A tender heart can prevent a calloused bottom.”

“Heeding the warning up front will save you the warming in back!”

“Repetitive punishment is reserved for retarded people.”

“A man who closes his ears to instruction will open his life to destruction.”

“There is a big difference in being narrow minded and closed minded.”

“Be hesitant to change, be hasty to improve.”

“A wise person will learn more from when they are wrong than from when they are right.”

Pr 29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

22. A wise person stays away from things that are _____ and can skew his judgment

Pr 20:1 Wine [is] a mocker, strong drink [is] raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

“A wise person must stay in control of his mind, heart, and body.”

“If any person, substance, or thing begins ruling you instead of you ruling it, it is wrong.”

There are numerous and varied things to which we can become addicted or allow to be in control.

- Alcohol
- Anger
- Bitterness
- Caffeine
- Drugs
- Entertainment
- Food
- Gambling
- Gossip
- Lust
- Medicine
- Money
- Music
- People
- Pornography
- Sleep
- Sports
- Sugar
- Television
- Tobacco
- Video Games
- Work

1Ki 11:4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father.

- Ps 19:13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.
- Ps 119:133 Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.
- Pr 23:2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite.
- Pr 23:29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?
 30 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.
 31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.
 32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.
 33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.
 34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.
 35 They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.
- Pr 25:28 He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.
- Pr 31:4 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink:
 5 Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted.
- Jer 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?
- Ac 8:23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.
- Ro 6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

1Co 6:12 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.

1Co 9:27 But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

2Pe 2:14 Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:

“Foolish is the man who turns over his heart, mind, or body to sin or to Satan.”

“The flesh is only concerned about your desires, not your destiny.”

“A wise man protects his wisdom by not giving power to anything that could cloud his judgment or make him lose control.”

“The only things to which a wise person relinquishes control are the Word of God and the Spirit of God.”

Ro 6:13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

Eph 5:18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

23. A wise person will not allow sin to go unpunished or gain _____

Pr 20:26 A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.

“Sin never stagnates, it only strengthens.”

“Sin unpunished will soon be uncontrolled.”

“If you do not kill sin, it will kill you.”

“Those who promote sin are highly contagious and deadly to others.”

“Rotten apples left in the bucket always turn the good apples rotten, not the other way around.”

“The strength of numbers (good or bad) does not add; it squares.”

“If you are passive about sinners around you, you will be pulled down by sinners around you.”

“Those who do wrong and seek to do wrong must be divided in order to conquer them.”

“Nothing boosts the boldness of a sinner like another willing party.”

“Sin deceives the sinner into believing that if they got by with it once, they always will.”

“The wise person is patient with the sinner, but pounces on the sin.”

“God always commands us to get away from those who are contagious with a sinful lifestyle.”

Ps 106:35 But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.

Pr 1:10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

Pr 1:15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

Pr 4:14 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.

Pr 5:3	For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smother than oil:
Pr 5:8	Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:
Pr 7:5	That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words.
Pr 7:25	Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.
Pr 14:7	Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not in him the lips of knowledge.
Pr 22:10	Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.
Pr 22:24	Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go: 25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.
Ro 16:17	Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.
1Co 5:11	But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.
2Co 6:17	Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,
Eph 5:11	And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.
2Th 3:14	And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed.

“Those who play with sin eventually find out sin wasn’t playing.”

Jas 1:15 ...and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

24. A wise person gets an advantage by out-thinking his _____

Pr 21:22 A wise [man] scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.

“While a wise man’s enemy is thickening the wall, he is building a ladder.”

“While a wise man’s enemy is stockpiling bullets, he is installing bulletproof glass.”

“While the wise man’s enemy is adding crocodiles to his mote, he is building a boat.”

“While the wise man’s enemy is digging for gold, he is buying the mine.”

“You do not have to be stronger than your opponent, only smarter.”

“The strength of mind always trumps the strength of men.”

“Work harder at working smarter, not a working harder.”

“It is better to work hard enough to buy a chainsaw than working hard to be the best axe swinger in the woods.”

25. A wise person takes care of his _____ and gains strength

Pr 24:5 A wise man [is] strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength.

“Wise dead men help fewer people than wise men still breathing!”

“He who increases his life increases his potential for influence.”

“You can still influence people after you die, but only by what you did while you were still alive.”

“I can help more people running at 100% efficiency than 60% efficiency.”

“Foolish is the man who loses the strength of his mind by neglecting the shape of his body.”

“Eat to live, don’t live to eat!”

“Exercise to increase your longevity and productivity, not your looks and pride.”

“Make sure you exercise your brain as much as your brawn.”

“A strong man with no knowledge or wisdom is pretty weak.”

“The goal is that your mind and your body both have about the same lifespan. But you can still be more helpful to others with a sharp mind and a weak body than with a strong body and a weak mind.”

26. A wise person makes decisions based on _____, not personality or position

Pr 24:23 These [things] also [belong] to the wise. [It is] not good to have respect of persons in judgment.

“When you start playing politics you lose all principle.”

“It is much better to be loyal to principles than people.”

“Never gauge your leniency or strictness on your feelings or the other person’s personality, but always on principle.”

“Use principles to guide you to justice. If you are unsure of the principle, check the precedent. If there is no precedent, realize you are about to set one.”

“Individual exceptions and exemptions lead to multiple injustices and hurts.”

“Don’t make exceptions for one today, make amendments for all tomorrow.”

“There is nothing wrong with fixing a bad principle with a better one.”

“When in doubt, it is better to let the guilty go free than the innocent be unjustly punished.”

“To have respect of some persons is to have disrespect for all other persons.”

“Favoritism will gain you favor with some, but fairness will gain you favor with all.”

“Learn to balance love for people and loyalty to principle by finding a way to do both.”

Choosing “people over policies” hurts those protected by the policy. Choosing “policy over people” hurts those who cannot abide by the policy. So it is our job to find a way to help both groups of people. Let me give you a couple examples from the greatest policy setter and holder who also is the greatest lover of people – God.

- David sinned against God in numbering the people. God already had a policy that no king was allowed to number the people. But God also loved David. Would He just overlook the policy because he would choose His love for David over His justice in policy? Would He choose policy over His love for David or make an exemption because after all, it was David – the man after God’s own heart? No, He would find a way to choose both. He said David, I love you but I have to keep my word and punish your wrong doing. But I will let you choose your punishment. It is the blending of justice and love and of policy and people.
- God’s policy is the wages of sin is death. That policy was set before there was me, you, Adam or Eve. When Adam and Eve, and you and me, and every other person broke that policy God would have to make a choice. Would He ignore His policy and out of love let us off the hook, or would He turn His back on His love for man and stick to the policy? No, He would choose both! He found a way to satisfy the justice of His policy but still demonstrate His love for the people. It is interesting to note that in most cases finding a way to choose both will usually cost the leader something. It may be time, it may be convenience, it may be criticism, it may be money, but it will cost. In this case, it cost God His Son. But to God it was worth it to not choose policy over people or people over policy, but to satisfy both love and justice.

Policy is necessary to run things efficiently and effectively. Policies are not established to restrict the people but to free the people within the parameters of the policy. However, if a circumstance arrives that could cause a hardship to people outside the policy, the leader must determine if there is a way to accommodate the people without breaking the justice of the policy.

- As a youth pastor I had some teenagers who parents did not attend church, would not give the money, or did not have the money for them to go to camp. Policy said they have to pay. That is only fair to the teens and parents who did pay and to the camp who has to pay their staff, buy food, etc. However, I loved those teens and I wanted them to go. Which do I choose? Both. So I would find work for them to do to earn the money, pay it myself, or do whatever it took to satisfy the justice of the policy and my love for the people. If they did not want to work for it or make an effort to come up to the policy then that was different. But if they were willing but just lacking, my job was to find a way to abide by the policy and still show love for the people

- I have had parents that could not pay off their school bill. This was not based on laziness, bad stewardship, or lack of financial priorities but rather an unseen emergency that temporarily drained them financially. Should I make the school suffer because the parent cannot pay and cause teachers to go with a paycheck because I care for the people? What about caring for the people that breaking the policy would affect? Should I throw the person under the bus who cannot pay because we have a policy that can't be broken? No, I should choose both. So I have paid the remainder bill for them out of my pocket either as a gift or until they could pay me back. This way the policy remains in tact and those who are paid on time because of it are not hurt and the people who were put at strain by the policy still benefit from my love for them as people. Love and justice are both satisfied.
- I have had parents that did not have the proper shoes or clothing for their child. Again, not based on negligence or apathy, but hardship. Do I choose people at the expense of the policy and let the child wear something the others are not allowed to wear? Then I chance hurting those people that abide by the policy. Do I choose policy over people and tell the child, "I don't care that your dad does not get paid for another week and you don't have the shoes you need. Hit the road!" No, I choose both! I bought the shoes for the kid and both policy and people are satisfied. The people abiding by the policy are not hurt by my inconsistency or unfairness to them and the people who could not find a way to abide by the policy are shown my love and brought to a level where they can abide by it. (Again, this takes some judgment as to determining who cannot abide by a policy and who is just choosing not to.)

You must remember that I am to love as equally those inside the policy as those outside of it. The wise man will find a way to love and help both groups.

27. A wise person knows how to properly and effectively _____ others

Pr 25:12 [As] an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, [so is] a wise reprov
upon an obedient ear.

"A wise person reproves those whom reproving will benefit."

Pr 9:8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he
will love thee.

"A wise person will punish the scorner for the sake of the simple."

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

“Most things are better received and fixed privately than publically.”

“Be consistent in the law, but customize the delivery of the verdict.”

“Yelling usually makes people hear you less, not more.”

“The goal should not be to punish the person, but rather to correct the problem.”

“Discipline is not an action, it is a process.”

2Ti 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

28. A wise person continues to go to God for more _____

Jas 1:5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

“Every day is uncharted water in your life so never quit asking for wisdom.”

“Foolish is the man who feels he needs no more wisdom.”

“It takes wisdom to be wise enough to realize you are not wise enough.”

Da 2:21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

“God’s source of wisdom is only limited by our lack of willingness to draw from it.”

“God filled with oil every pot the woman gathered, but He ONLY filled the ones she gathered.”

PROVERBS I

Test 1 Review

1. “To know” means **KNOWLEDGE**
2. Without Bible knowledge we are **IGNORANT** and **DESTROYED**.
3. We gain Bible knowledge through **READING** and **MEMORIZING**.
4. “To perceive” means **UNDERSTANDING**.
5. Without Bible understanding we are still **SIMPLE** and **FOOLISH**.
6. We gain Bible understanding through **STUDY**, **TEACHING**, **MEDITATION**, and through God, Jesus, and the **HOLY SPIRIT**.
7. “To receive” means **WISDOM**
8. Without Bible wisdom we are **FOOLISH** and **MISERABLE**.
9. List 3 of the 11 ways we can obtain Bible wisdom:

We get Bible wisdom through **COUNSEL**, **SEPARATION**, **FEARING GOD**,
CORRECTION, **PREACHING**, **ASKING**, **THE WORD OF GOD**, **SOULWINNING**,
WALKING WITH WISE PEOPLE, **USING WISDOM WE HAVE ALREADY**
RECEIVED, and **SEEKING MORE KNOWLEDGE**.
10. “To give” means **TEACHING**
11. Without Bible teaching we are **SELFISH** and **STAGNANT**.
12. We are to teach the Bible with our **MOUTHS**, our **HEARTS**, and our **LIVES**.

PROVERBS I

Test 2 Review

1. The simple need the WORD of GOD.
2. The simple seldom strive on their OWN to get out of simplicity.
3. The simple CAN obtain UNDERSTANDING; they just don't have it yet.
4. The simple are often TARGETED by other simple ones, the foolish, and the wicked.
5. The simple are GULLIBLE and credulous.
6. The simple can learn from the MISTAKES of others, but the fool must try it himself.
7. The simple seldom consider the CONSEQUENCES of tomorrow.
8. The only area God would have us to remain simple is concerning SIN.
9. A fool refuses to ACKNOWLEDGE God.
10. A fool wants to remain foolish and they RESIST knowledge and learning.
11. A fool will run their MOUTH and not shut up, but says nothing of value.
12. A fool is a heartache and a problem for their FAMILY.
13. A fool is cruel and deceitful in their SPEECH.
14. A fool finds HURTING others to be entertaining and funny.
15. A fool will not succeed to a position of RESPECT.
16. A fool has a major PRIDE problem.
17. A fool has an ANGER and a self-control problem.
18. A fool is drawn to SIN like a moth to fire.
19. A fool will DESTROY those around them.
20. A fool thinks sin is FUNNY.

21. A fool is a poor **MONEY** manager.
22. A fool is **CRUDE** and inappropriate in their speech.
23. A fool does not respond to **CORRECTION**.
24. A fool seeks and creates **ARGUMENTS**.
25. A fool is always in other people's **BUSINESS**.
26. A fool refuses to accept or apply **SPIRITUAL** or **MORAL** truth.
27. A fool refuses to learn the lessons of life and **REPEATS** the same actions.
28. **GET** away and **STAY** away from the fool.
29. **PUNISH** the fool even if it seems to do no good.
30. Do not try to **REASON** with a fool.

PROVERBS I

Test 3 Review

1. A wise person listens, pays attention, and enjoys LEARNING.
2. A wise person will gain PROMOTION and LEADERSHIP over his contemporaries.
3. A wise person is not LAZY in their work.
4. A wise person wants to know how to do things RIGHT.
5. A wise person accepts CORRECTION gladly.
6. A wise person is a delight to their PARENTS.
7. A wise person is OBEDIENT.
8. A wise person controls his MOUTH.
9. A wise person is a SOUL WINNER.
10. A wise person gets and heeds ADVICE.
11. A wise person uses his WORDS to strengthen and to help others.
12. A wise person stays with the right CROWD.
13. A wise person is concerned about helping FAMILY relationships.
14. A wise person avoids SIN knowing they can FALL.
15. A wise person frugally SPENDS, methodically SAVES, and carefully STORES true riches.

PROVERBS I

Test 4 Review

1. A wise person will gain favor and appreciation from his LEADERS.
2. A wise person is appropriate in their SPEECH.
3. A wise person uses his knowledge to HELP others.
4. A wise person is a PEACEMAKER.
5. List the 5 things a wise person will use to turn away wrath (all beginning with the letter “s”)

SMILE

SELF CONTROL

SILENCE

SECRET KINDNESS

SOFT ANSWER

6. A wise person will THINK before he acts and is cautious about DECISIONS.
7. A wise person has a TENDER heart.
8. A wise person stays away from things that are ADDICTIVE.
9. A wise person will not allow sin to go unpunished or gain MOMENTUM.
10. A wise person gets an advantage by out-thinking his ENEMIES.
11. A wise person takes care of his BODY and gains strength.
12. A wise person makes decisions based on PRINCIPLE, not personality or position.
13. A wise person knows how to properly and effectively CORRECT others.
14. A wise person continues to go to God for more WISDOM.