

EXPLORING PROVERBS

June 14th to July 26th, 2020

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CLASS GOALS:



- To read the book of Proverbs with greater understanding of the poetic devices, primary sections, and consistent themes of the book.



- To equip ourselves with key verses for making wise choices that are grounded in the fear of the Lord.



- To see more clearly the great rewards of living with Godly wisdom.



- To raise our awareness of the foolish and tragic dangers of living a wicked life.



- To use the Proverbs to address and overcome personal struggles with Godly solutions.

Class Schedule

| Lesson | Day | Date | Topic | Text | Teacher |
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| 1 | S | 6/14/20 | Intro: Fear of the Lord | | Jake |
| 2 | W | 6/17/20 | The Results of Wisdom | Ch. 1-4 | Jake |
| 3 | S | 6/21/20 | Instructions for Marriage | Ch. 5-7 | Phillip |
| 4 | W | 6/24/20 | Invitations of Wisdom and Folly | Ch. 8-9 | Phillip |
| 5 | S | 6/28/20 | Heart of the Wise | Ch. 10-22 | Jake |
| 6 | W | 7/1/20 | Heart of the Fool | Ch. 10-22 | Phillip |
| 7 | S | 7/5/20 | Wisdom & Our Work | Ch. 10-22 | Jake |
| 8 | W | 7/8/20 | Wisdom & Our Wealth | Ch. 10-22 | Phillip |
| 9 | S | 7/12/20 | Wisdom & Our Speech | Ch. 10-22 | Jake |
| 10 | W | 7/15/20 | Wisdom & Our Relationships | Ch. 10-22 | Phillip |
| 11 | S | 7/19/20 | Collections: Words of the Wise | Ch. 22-24 | Jake |
| 12 | W | 7/22/20 | Collections: Hezekiah, Agur, & Lemuel | Ch. 25-31a | Phillip |
| 13 | S | 7/26/20 | The Woman of Wisdom | Ch. 31b | Jake |

Lesson 12 – Collections: Hezekiah, Agur, Lemuel

“These also are proverbs of Solomon which the men of Hezekiah, king of Judah, transcribed.” (25:1)

Textual/Factual Questions

1. Chapter 25: How would these passages be especially useful for a king like Hezekiah?
Vs. 2
Vs. 5-8
Vs. 11-14
Vs 19
Vs 25
2. Chapter 26:1-12 helps us recognize a fool and avoid entrusting them with important responsibilities.
 - a. Vs. 1, 8: Don't give a fool undue...
 - b. Vs. 4-5: Don't give a fool...
 - c. Vs. 6: Don't count on a fool to...
 - d. Vs. 10-11: Don't expect a fool to...
 - e. Vs. 12: A person full of _____ can be just as hopeless as a fool.
3. Chapter 27 – Gives guidance for how to approach the good things in our lives, so as not to spoil them.
 - a. How should we handle success? _____ (27:2, 21)
 - b. How should we treat long standing friends? _____ (27:10)
 - c. How should we communicate with friends? _____ (27:14)
 - d. How should we influence our friends? _____ (27:17)
4. Chapter 28 contains many lessons about living with integrity and character, joined to warnings about temptations that would corrupt our character. What are we warned against in...
28:7
28:10
28:13
28:19
28:22
5. Chapter 30: Agur writes his Proverbs in small groups of related ideas.
 - a. What attitude does Agur express in his standing before God? (vs. 1-9)
 - b. What does Agur believe about ungrateful children? (15-17)
 - c. Many people believe “Bigger is Better,” what does Agur understand? (24-28)

Application

- 27:23-27 are some of the most famous stewardship verses in Proverbs. What practices should this promote in our lives today?