

# EXPLORING PROVERBS

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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

<b>Lesson</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Text</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
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 8 – Wisdom & Our Wealth (topical study in Prov. 10-22)

*“Better is a little with the fear of the Lord Than great treasure and turmoil with it.” (Prov. 15:16)*

*“Better is a little with righteousness Than great income with injustice.” (Prov. 16:8)*

### Textual/Factual Questions

1. Please summarize what Proverbs teaches about Financial Security vs. Spiritual Security.
  - a. Proverbs 10:15-16, 11:4, 11:28, 12:3, 15:6, 16:16, 18:10-11
  
2. Proverbs not only addresses personal finances, but also business ethics. What principles of honest and good business are taught in the following passages:
  - a. Proverbs 10:2-3, 11:1, 11:18, 13:11, 21:6
  
3. Proverbs gives us God’s wisdom to take wise actions and to maintain wise attitudes. What actions and attitudes are highlighted in the following verses?

<u>Actions</u>	<u>Attitudes</u>
Pr. 13:22 _____	Pr. 21:13 _____
Pr. 15:27 _____	Pr. 17:1 _____
Pr. 17:26 _____	Pr. 11:16-19 _____

### Thought Questions

4. One major blessing of Proverbs, is that God teaches us how to handle situations before we find ourselves in the middle of them. The following verses may not apply daily, but when we need them it is very important to already know the right choice. What do we learn about...
  - a. Conspicuous Consumption? \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov. 13:7)
  - b. The Wise View of Dirty Jobs? \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov. 14:4)
  - c. Deals That Seem Too Good? \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov. 14:15)
  - d. Accepting Bribes? \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov. 15:27, 17:23)
  - e. Over-Charging Customers? \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov. 16:11, 20:23)
  - f. Collecting A Debt? \_\_\_\_\_ (Prov. 22:16)

### Application

- Wealth can be the result of oppression and evil (22:16, 22:22) or it can be a blessing from the Lord. If we have worked and lived honorably, how should we view our wealth? (Prov. 10:22, 13:21, 14:11, 22:4)