



“The Wisdom of Moral Clarity”

Selected Proverbs

August 6, 2023

Questions for Application & Fellowship

QUICK REVIEW

Why choose a life of righteousness?

1. Consider what will become of your _____ in life (4:18-19).
2. Consider what will become of your _____ in death (10:7).
3. Consider what will become of your _____ of heart (10:27-28).

Was any point in this weekend’s message particularly helpful, challenging, or encouraging to you?

Why did God want you to hear this message now?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Do you think you have clear spiritual and moral vision? What contributes to your ability to see things rightly? Was your moral compass accurate from birth, or has God somehow helped you?
2. The book of Proverbs presents a serious portrayal of human depravity. It speaks of the wickedness of the human condition from beginning to end, yet so many people deem themselves righteous. How does Romans 3:9-26 help bring sobriety and grace to the self-righteous man or woman?
3. Even though none of us are righteous apart from the gift of grace, we can grow in righteousness. How is this depicted in the Beatitudes that Jesus preached at the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount? (Matthew 5:1-12)
4. Thinking about Proverbs 4:18-19, we are all born into darkness, but the light of wisdom begins to shed light on the path of those made wise in God. Have you changed your perspective on any issues since becoming a Christian? What has God helped you see in the light of His truth?
5. Reflect on Proverbs 10:7. Who comes to mind when you meditate on this verse? Especially drawing strength from the memory of the righteous, whose life and memory does God use to give you endurance to carry on?



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- 33 The Lord's curse is on the house of the wicked,
but he blesses the dwelling of the righteous.
- 34 Toward the scorners he is scornful,
but to the humble he gives favor.
- 35 The wise will inherit honor,
but fools get disgrace. (3:33-35)
- 14 Do not enter the path of the wicked,
and do not walk in the way of the evil.
- 15 Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on.
- 16 For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong;
they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble.
- 17 For they eat the bread of wickedness
and drink the wine of violence.
- 18 But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,
which shines brighter and brighter until full day.
- 19 The way of the wicked is like deep darkness;
they do not know over what they stumble. (4:14-19)
- The memory of the righteous is a blessing,
but the name of the wicked will rot. (10:7)
- 27 The fear of the Lord prolongs life,
but the years of the wicked will be short.
- 28 The hope of the righteous brings joy,
but the expectation of the wicked will perish.
- 29 The way of the Lord is a stronghold to the blameless,
but destruction to evildoers. (10:27-29)
- 19 Whoever is steadfast in righteousness will live,
but he who pursues evil will die.
- 20 Those of crooked heart are an abomination to the Lord,
but those of blameless ways are his delight.
- 21 Be assured, an evil person will not go unpunished,
but the offspring of the righteous will be delivered. (11:19-21)
- 32 The wicked is overthrown through his evildoing
but the righteous finds refuge in his death (14:32)
- 29 The Lord is far from the wicked,
but the righteous finds refuge in his death. (15:29)
- 10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower;
the righteous man runs into it and is safe. (18:10)