



*Words, Deeds &
Destiny*

Proverbs 12:1-15



Call to the Word

Psa 119:81-88

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My soul faints for Your salvation, But I hope in Your word. My eyes fail *from searching* Your word, Saying, "When will You comfort me?" For I have become like a wineskin in smoke, *Yet* I do not forget Your statutes.



(Ps 119:81-83)

How many *are* the days of Your servant? When will You execute judgment on those who persecute me? The proud have dug pits for me, Which *is* not according to Your law. All Your commandments *are* faithful; They persecute me wrongfully; Help me!



(Ps 119:84-86)

They almost made an end of me on earth, But I did not forsake Your precepts. Revive me according to Your lovingkindness, So that I may keep the testimony of Your mouth.

(Ps 119:87-88)





introduction

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The formula to wisdom:

wisdom = knowledge + obedience.

True wisdom is seen through an obedient life.

Lovers of instruction are lifelong learners who are teachable.

Pro 9:9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. **(ESV)**

Haters of Correction are Stupid

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“The proud man or woman who is unwilling to receive correction is an enemy to himself and his own happiness.”



Proverbs 12:1

What motivates you is a big deal to God

Pro 16:2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own sight, But the LORD weighs the motives

God, by his Spirit and through his Word, provides the penetrating evaluation.” (Ross)

Wickedness never brings stability.

“Nothing is *permanent* but *goodness*;
and that is *unchangeable*,
because it comes from GOD.”

(Clarke)

The Root of the Righteous Cannot Be Moved

He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will never be shaken. **Ps 62:2**

Those who trust in the LORD Are like Mount Zion, *Which* cannot be moved, *but* abides forever. **Ps 125:1**

Excellent: “Virtuous” “Worthy” “Noble Character”
“Earnest and strong in character” ...

A ‘**crown**’ is a symbol of honor and renown

“I am a very successful man!”

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She who causes shame is like rottenness:
decay in the bones

A wife who causes shame, according to scripture, is one who tears down her own house with her own hands and lips... who quarrels, nags and finds fault.

The Righteous know something of what it means to be transformed by the renewing of the mind!

Rom 12:1-2

For the **wicked**, it is more than their actions that are **deceitful**; their **counsels** (thinking, thoughts) are also full of deception and error.

Balaam

Num 21 - 34

The wicked plot violence and are ready to ambush others for their own unrighteous gain.

“The vivid picture of ‘lying in wait for blood’ conveys that the wicked make a trap by their false accusations.” (Ross)

The **upright** man or woman will be careful on how they speak of others and will **speak up** for others when the need arises...

“If you want to be upright, whenever someone is being talked about, remember that Jesus is passionately in love with him. Therefore, come to the defense of the person who is not there to defend himself.” (Courson)

The Wicked:

- Guilty of crime (substantive)
- Hostile toward God
- Unrepentant of sin (against God or man)

The wicked die and disappear, but the family of the godly stands firm. (NLT)

Wise men and women will be recognized and honored for their **wisdom**. True today but especially true in the world to come.

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Proverbs 12:8

“Nothing is so despicable as to be proud when there is nothing to be proud about.” (Bridges)

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Proverbs 12:9

A righteous man regards the life of his animals.

(Matt 10:29, Ps 104:27)

‘A righteous man consider the life of his beast;’ which, being very appropriate, reminded me that I should feed my horse.” (Clarke)

“A hard worker has plenty of food, but a person who chases fantasies has no sense”

Heb 11:24-26

God always rewards true faith —
if not immediately, at least ultimately.

Pro 12:12. Thieves are jealous of each other's loot, but the godly are well rooted and bear their own fruit.

God's **righteous** men and women don't need to covet the catch of evil men, because they are like fruit-bearing trees. Fruit comes from their very **root**, from who they are.

A liar had need of a good memory; for as the truth is not in him, he says and unsays, and often contradicts himself.” (Clarke)

...in the world you will have tribulation but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

(Jn 16:33)

A righteous man finds blessing comes to his life by what he says **(the fruit of his mouth)**.

Supremely, the Word of God has a living power to relate us to God and change our minds and hearts

Heb 4:12

1Pe 1:22-23

The **fool** almost always thinks they are on the right path. It is difficult for them to think carefully and accurately about the path of their life.

- On the other hand -

The **wise** person understands that it is helpful to get another set of “**eyes**” on one’s **way**.



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