

31 Days of Wisdom- Discretion is Advised

If we had a right view of God, many of the troubles we get ourselves into would seem to go away.

*13 A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit.
Proverbs 15:13*

What is happening inside of us matters more for who we are becoming than what we are portraying on the outside.

Godly prosperity comes in the form of community, relationships, service to others, real sacrifice, and a sense of peace or Shalom.

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, James 1:19

For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. 35 A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. Matthew 12:35-35

Character is revealed in the words we use and how we relate to those around us.

26 Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. James 1:26

Proverbs do more than simply urge us to watch what we say and how we say it; they also inspire us to examine the intentions of our hearts.

*Better a small serving of vegetables with love than a fattened calf with hatred.
Proverb 15:17*

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. Mark 10:45

Religion so quickly becomes about winning arguments, defeating opponents and having the right thing to say and not about actually loving God and caring for our neighbors.

27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. James 1:27

The Lord detests the thoughts of the wicked, but gracious words are pure in his sight. Proverbs 15:26

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. Psalm 19:14

Our self-reflection must always end in a renewed sense love and awe for God and gratitude for what Jesus did for us on a cross.