

## Kings, Servants, & The Fear of Man

### Proverbs 29 pt 1

*“A man who loves wisdom brings joy to his father, but one who consorts with prostitutes destroys his wealth.” -Proverbs 29:3*

**As we focus on our everyday decisions, what are some ways we can demonstrate a life of wisdom?**

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\*Show R\_\_\_\_\_ for God & O\_\_\_\_\_ \*P\_\_\_\_\_ before reacting

\*L\_\_\_\_\_ before you speak \*A\_\_\_\_\_ thoughtful questions

\*Stay c\_\_\_\_\_ when you get upset \*See multiple p\_\_\_\_\_

**“We are made wise not by the recollection of our past, but by the responsibility for our future.”**

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**1 One who becomes stiff-necked, after many reprimands will be shattered instantly—beyond recovery.**

**What is the main idea?**

Constantly r\_\_\_\_\_ God will eventually lead to d\_\_\_\_\_.

**Stiff-necked:** to be dense, stupid, hard to understand, made hard, stubborn

**Reprimands:** correction, reasoning, rebuke, argument

**Sadly, when it comes to God some people constantly ignore Him. What are some ways we behave stubbornly with Him?**

\*Not r\_\_\_\_\_ to conviction \*Selective listening

\*R\_\_\_\_\_ the same mistakes \*Trying to c\_\_\_\_\_ everything

\*Arguing with guidance \*Refusing h\_\_\_\_\_ \*Delaying o\_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 12:25

**Biblical examples of stubbornness:**

\*Children of I\_\_\_\_\_ (Ezekiel 3:7, Isaiah 48:4) \*Religious I\_\_\_\_\_ ( Acts 7:51)

**What kind of disaster could we bring on ourselves by constantly rejecting God?**

\*Legal \*S\_\_\_\_\_ \*Physical \*D\_\_\_\_\_

Jeremiah 19:15; Romans 2:5

**2 When the righteous flourish, the people rejoice, but when the wicked rule, people groan.**

**Notice the contrast:**

R\_\_\_\_\_ vs W\_\_\_\_\_; people rejoicing vs people g\_\_\_\_\_

The main idea of this text is, it is to the benefit of the people or nation when the r\_\_\_\_\_ are in authority.

**How do people benefit when the righteous are in authority?**

\*People feel s\_\_\_\_\_ and p\_\_\_\_\_.      \*Communities f\_\_\_\_\_

\*Justice is based on what is r\_\_\_\_\_      \*H\_\_\_\_\_ increases      \*P\_\_\_\_\_ increases

\*People are inspired to l\_\_\_\_\_ better      \*Truth is v\_\_\_\_\_

Isaiah 32:1-2; 17-18; Esther 8:15

**How are people burdened when the wicked are in authority?**

\*Injustice becomes n\_\_\_\_\_      \*People feel powerless      \*Resources are m\_\_\_\_\_

\*Morale collapses      \*Conflict l\_\_\_\_\_      \*Truth becomes b\_\_\_\_\_

\*Anxiety l\_\_\_\_\_

Isaiah 10:1-4; Matthew 2:3; 16

**Regardless of who is in charge, what should the church be doing?**

\*P\_\_\_\_\_      \*W\_\_\_\_\_      \*Making D\_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 28:19-20

**3 A man who loves wisdom brings joy to his father, but one who consorts with prostitutes destroys his wealth.**

**Notice the contrast:**

W\_\_\_\_\_ vs Unwise; Joy vs D\_\_\_\_\_

**What is the main idea?**

Parents want their c\_\_\_\_\_ to succeed, but the choice is theirs to make.

**What are some significant choices that all of us need to make?**

\*Blessings & C\_\_\_\_\_      \*Wisdom & F\_\_\_\_\_      \*Life & D\_\_\_\_\_

\*Consideration & S\_\_\_\_\_      \*Accept Jesus Christ & R\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ

Deuteronomy 30:19; Ephesians 5:15-17; Luke 15:11-32

**Why is it important for children to choose wisdom and bring joy to their parents?**

- \*It strengthens the b\_\_\_\_\_ \*it honors the s\_\_\_\_\_ they made
- \*It creates a h\_\_\_\_\_ family atmosphere \*It shapes our own c\_\_\_\_\_
- \*It brings peace to our own c\_\_\_\_\_ \*It can heal old wounds
- \*It blesses f\_\_\_\_\_ generations

Deuteronomy 5:16; Proverbs 6:20-29; Ephesians 6:2

**4 By justice a king brings stability to a land, but a person who demands “contributions” demolishes it.**

**Notice the contrast:**

J\_\_\_\_\_ vs C\_\_\_\_\_ ; S\_\_\_\_\_ vs D\_\_\_\_\_

**Main idea?**

A nation can only expect s\_\_\_\_\_ and p\_\_\_\_\_ when it is ruled with justice.

**Justice:** a verdict pronounced judicially, divine law, right sentence

**Stability** means having consistency, emotional steadiness, reliability; it also provides you the foundation to build anything meaningful; relationships, goals, character, faith, or purpose. (Jeremiah 17:8)

**Notice the contrast:**

A person who demans “contributions”??

**Bribe:** gift, heave offering, allotment, donation, reward; something given with the intent of securing favor or bending judgment.

**Why is bribery dangerous?**

- \*It d\_\_\_\_\_ justice \*It erodes t\_\_\_\_\_ \*It harms innocent p\_\_\_\_\_
- \*It puts us at odds with G\_\_\_\_\_

Deuteronomy 10:17; 16:19; Psalm 15:5; 26:10

Not only does bribery in leadership destroy the people, land, but most importantly their fellowship with God and ultimately, He will judge their corruption.

Isaiah 1:23-26; 30:18

**How does this encourage you knowing that one day God will restore justice?**

**What is one thing you have learned that you are willing to share with someone else?**

**“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.”**

**-Martin Luther King Jr.**