

## Kings, Servants, & The Fear of Man

### Proverbs 29 pt 5

“Without revelation people run wild, but one who follows divine instruction will be happy.”

-Proverbs 29:18

**As you reflect on your upbringing, what are some effective ways to help you follow instructions?**

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\*Understand the instruction before a \_\_\_\_\_ \*Clarify anything ambiguous

\*Break the instruction into s\_\_\_\_\_ steps \*Focus on the g\_\_\_\_\_

\*Pace y\_\_\_\_\_ and check your work \*Practice a\_\_\_\_\_ listening

\*Build h\_\_\_\_\_ that make following instructions easier

**“When all else fails, follow instructions.”**

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**17 Discipline your child, and it will bring you peace of mind and give you delight.**

**What is the main idea of this verse?**

The b\_\_\_\_\_ of discipline

**Discipline:** bind, chasten, correct, instruct, punish reform, teach

**What are some negative stereotypes of discipline?**

\*It is rigid or inflexible \*It k\_\_\_\_\_ creativity \*It is joyless or h\_\_\_\_\_

\*People who are disciplined are like r\_\_\_\_\_ \*It equals perfectionism

\*It is c\_\_\_\_\_ \*It means sacrificing f\_\_\_\_\_

Ephesians 6:4; Hebrews 12:11; 2 Timothy 3:16-17

**Notice the benefits of discipline:**

\*It will bring you p\_\_\_\_\_ of m\_\_\_\_\_; ( Psalm 4:8; Proverbs 3:24)

\*It will give you d\_\_\_\_\_; (Proverbs 10:1; 3 John 1:4)

**How would you encourage a skeptical person about the benefits of discipline?**

\*Redefine discipline as f\_\_\_\_\_ not restriction \*Connect it to something they v\_\_\_\_\_

\*Show how it reduces s\_\_\_\_\_, not increases it

Job 5:17; Proverbs 3:11-12

**18 Without revelation, people run wild, but one who follows divine instruction will be happy.**

**Notice the contrast:**

People without r\_\_\_\_\_ vs People who follow divine I\_\_\_\_\_

**Revelation:** vision, dream, sight; Hebrew word chazah

**What is our primary source of vision?** The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. (Proverbs 3:1-2)

Notice the danger of not having a revelation:

People run w\_\_\_\_\_ (Judges 21:25)

In biblical days, before the Word of God was complete the Lord revealed His will through His p\_\_\_\_\_. They communicated God's messages to the p\_\_\_\_\_.

**What are some other negative affects of not embracing the Word of God?**

\*Moral d\_\_\_\_\_

\*Spiritual d\_\_\_\_\_

\*Loss of clarity

\*Bad d\_\_\_\_\_ -making

\*Emotional instability

Psalm 37:20; 92:7

In contrast to the those who refuse to receive the instruction of the Lord are those who follow it.

**Follows:** takes heed, preserve, regard, save, keeps

**How would you encourage someone who is hesitant to follow the Word of God?**

Psalm 1

**19 A servant cannot be disciplined by words; though he understands, he doesn't respond.**

**What is the main idea of this verse?**

Empty words are not enough to maintain o\_\_\_\_\_

**What do people typically say about someone who gives long lectures but doesn't take action?**

\*He/She is "All t\_\_\_\_\_!"

\*"All b\_\_\_\_\_ no b\_\_\_\_\_!"

\*"Won't bust a g\_\_\_\_\_!"

**Who can this verse also apply to?**

P\_\_\_\_\_ with their c\_\_\_\_\_. (Proverbs 23:13-14)

**How can a disciplinarian demonstrate they really mean business?**

\*Set c\_\_\_\_\_ expectations before enforcing anything

\*Follow through consistently

\*Stay c\_\_\_\_\_ & composed

\*Model the b\_\_\_\_\_ you expect                      \*Use firm but respectful communication

\*Be f\_\_\_\_\_ & predictable                      \*Hold yourself a\_\_\_\_\_ too

Jeremiah 5:3; Luke 12:47; James 4:17

**20 Do you see someone who speaks too soon? There is more hope for a fool than for him.**

**What is the caution of this verse?**

Be careful of s\_\_\_\_\_ too soon.

**Can you think of some examples of speaking too soon?**

\*Responding before h\_\_\_\_\_ the full question or explanation

\*Making p\_\_\_\_\_ before thinking through the commitment

\*Reacting emotionally instead of letting f\_\_\_\_\_ settle

\*Giving advice before understanding the full c\_\_\_\_\_

\*Filling silence because it f\_\_\_\_\_ uncomfortable

Ecclesiastes 5:2; James 1:19

**Fool:** One who acts foolishly, silly, hates knowledge, does not delight in understanding, denies God.

King Solomon's point is although some people act and think foolishly, there is more hope for this person to change their mind/ways than for those who cannot control their temper or regulate their words.

**How can you encourage someone who is quick to speak to have more control of their mouths and emotions?**

\*Show them the importance of p\_\_\_\_\_

\*Identify e\_\_\_\_\_ triggers

Galatians 5:22-23; Titus 1:7

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

**“Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt.”**