

“But who are you, a human being, to talk back to God? “Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it, ‘Why did you make me like this?’”

Romans 9:20 (NIV)

““Woe to those who quarrel with their Maker, those who are nothing but potsherds among the potsherds on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, ‘What are you making?’ Does your work say, ‘The potter has no hands’?”

Isaiah 45:9 (NIV)

Principles For Living In Wisdom”

Ecclesiastes 8:1-4

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❖ Everything or every matter in life has a _____.

❖ There are 2 aspects of application in wisdom.

1) One has to do with relationships on _____.

2) One has to do with our relationship with _____.

Principle #1: Wisdom makes you a _____ to others.

“A person’s wisdom brightens their face and changes its hard appearance.”

Ecclesiastes 8:1b (NIV)

“The LORD said to Moses, “Tell Aaron and his sons, ‘This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them: ““The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.”’ “So, they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.”

Numbers 6:22-27 (NIV)

Principle #2: Do not have a _____ spirit.

“Obey the king’s command, I say, because you took an oath before God.”

Ecclesiastes 8:2 (NIV)

“Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to curry their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord.”

Colossians 3:22 (NIV)

“Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.”

Romans 13:1-2 (NIV)

“But Samuel replied: “Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams. For rebellion is like the sin of divination, and arrogance like the evil of idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, he has rejected you as king.”

1 Samuel 15:22-23 (NIV)

(Matthew 8:5-9)

- ❖ “We will never be over those things that God has set under us until we learn to be under those things that God has placed over us.”

Adrian Rogers

Principle #3: Godly wisdom tells us what to _____ to and what to _____ from.

“Do not be in a hurry to leave the king’s presence. Do not stand up for a bad cause, for he will do whatever he pleases.”

Ecclesiastes 8:3 (NIV)

“Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.”

Romans 12:9 (NIV)

Principle#4: Wisdom tells us to be slow to _____ with those in authority or with everything that is not according to our _____.

“Since a king’s word is supreme, who can say to him, “What are you doing?”

Ecclesiastes 8:4 (NIV)

“The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice.”

Proverbs 12:15 (NIV)