

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

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This week we completed **Proverbs 13 - 31**

We have now finished the book of Proverbs. As you've seen, Proverbs address many different subjects. Solomon addresses:

- the need for hard work
- the destruction of laziness
- the call from God for the righteous to give to the poor
- the power of the tongue
- the dangers of adultery and watching out for the sinful woman
- the beauty of a godly wife
- the importance of vision in life
- the dangers of debt
- the importance of planning
- the importance of truth and the horror of lies
- the danger of anger
- the value of close friends and their counsel
- the destruction of pride and the importance of humility
- how man proposes but God disposes
- the importance of disciplining your kids
- the dangers of alcohol.

Just about every subject we deal with today has advice on it from the proverbs.

Finally, please note that the proverbs pit **wisdom against folly and righteousness versus wickedness**. Once again, they are a wonderful tool to use to teach your kids wisdom and godliness. *Try a chapter a day for 31 days with them!*

Mostly, the proverbs adjure us all to righteousness by seeking after God first, and by not falling prey to the

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whims of people-pleasing or by living for lust and money. Instead, we believe in faith that there is always a good plan from God - one filled with a future and a hope.

As we close out another book, let's remember this division of the Old Testament:

- **The Pentateuch/Torah:** Genesis - Deuteronomy
- **The Historical Books:** Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 and 2 Kings/Chronicles, Esther, Ezra, Nehemiah
- **The Wisdom Literature:** Job, Psalms, Song of Solomon, Proverbs, Song of Solomon
- **The Prophets:** Isaiah-Malachi

The wisdom literature, where we are now, is **seeking God's wisdom/application of knowledge**. It teaches us how to live life well, and how to have God's favor. Psalms is Israel's worship/singing book. **Proverbs the ultimate "how to live" section.**