

WISDOM THAT WORKS

PROVERBS #49

Wisdom in Relationships Pt. 7

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Pro. 4:7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

- **Wisdom** is the ability to apply God's truth to life.
- Jesus gave us the two greatest commandments;
 - Love God
 - Love Others
- Some of the greatest blessings in life are found **in our relationships**.
- Most breaks in relationships are just a buildup of violating basic Biblical principles of getting along with others.

REVIEW

11. We must understand that sometimes we can't settle a disagreement with someone alone.

Pro 18:18 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.

12. When we offend someone, it will bring a distance that may never be restored.

Pro 18:19 A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.

13. A friend is more about what you are, not what you have.

Pro 18:24 A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

14. When you see that a potential argument is _____, do all you can to _____ it.

Pro. 17:14 The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.

- How do we do this?
 - The _____ we use.
 - The _____ we display.
 - Not _____.
 - The _____ is not right.
- The best advice; **Stop it before it can get started.**

Matt. 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

- I guess one reason why so many of us let these situations get out of control is because we would rather _____ right than _____ right.

Rom. 12:18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, **live peaceably with all men.**

- We don't know the difference between when we should _____ for something and when we _____ it out.

Eccl. 7:8-9 Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. 9 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

15. Don't allow yourself to be sucked into an _____ by someone who _____ to start one.

Pro. 26:21 As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife.

Pro. 22:24-25 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go: 25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.

Pro. 26:20 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth.

16. The _____ has a great deal of power as to the spirit and temperature of the _____ and _____.

Pro. 27:15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

Pro. 21:19 It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.

Pro. 19:13 A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.

- **When a good man is looking for a lady her _____ gets his attention but her _____ attracts him.**

17. Be open to the _____ and _____ of people who are _____ to you.

Pro. 27:6 Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.

- **Our verse tells us of a wound that is better than a kiss.**
 - There is a difference in _____ it came from.
 - The **wound** is from a _____.
 - The **kiss** is from an _____.
 - There is a difference in _____ it came.

- The wound is _____.
- The kiss is _____.
- **It is better for a friend to take a chance on wounding us by telling us the _____, then someone who we think is our friend who will encourage us to _____ down that path.**

Pro. 27:9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.

18. Be sensitive to people's _____ and _____ of life.

Pro. 27:14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

- **In this verse, the problem in conflicts and relationships is not what has been said but;**
 - _____ *it is said.*
 - _____ *it is said*
 - Let me give a few thoughts about dealing with something at the right time.
 - Don't discuss a situation when either one is _____.
 - Don't discuss a situation when either one is _____.
 - Don't discuss a situation in _____ of others.
 - Don't discuss a situation if one person _____ not to do it right then.
 - Don't discuss a situation when the _____ is already on edge