

3. WISDOM'S WARNING: BEWARE UNGODLY COMPANIONS (MURDER FRIENDS)

1. OUR NEED: TO HEAR AND OBEY.

Proverbs 1:8-9 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother: ⁹ For they *shall be* an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

- a. Hear instruction.
- b. Forsake it not.

Ephesians 6:1-3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. ² Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;) ³ That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

- **Parenting tips.**

Dad! Make the _____. Give instruction.

Fathers note your role.

Titus 2:1-2 But speake thou the things which become sound doctrine: ² That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.

Make sure your kids understand what is right because you've taken the time to TEACH and to EXPLAIN it to them. **Use the Proverbs model.** Point out the evil and the good as it comes up in life. Show them the ruin and success of others. Show them the end of sin and the rewards of faith. Teach them so that they can come to their OWN RIGHT CONCLUSIONS!

Mom! _____ for success. Lay down the law.

Mothers note your role.

Titus 2:3-5 The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; ⁴ That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Keepers = " _____ " You are keeping the home.

Genesis 2:15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to **keep** it. Mom! Nothing has changed. Your little garden has a snake looking to come in and sow death. Be on guard. Beware = be aware. Pay attention!

So, make sure that your kids know and keep the rules that keep them _____ and pointed toward _____.

Example: Our children must obey the first time, every time, immediately and with a happy heart. That sets them up to hear from Dad or their mentor or ministry leader.

It helps them to discern error down the road in their lives.

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Some youth _____ wrong because they are young and _____. The law of sowing and reaping will finish their training. That's a promise.

Notice the spirit: Grace! Now, I'm keeping truth and as a result, I'm living in grace!

Ephesians 6:4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Prayer Requests:

- To hear the Word.
- To obey the Word.
- Parenting prayers: Strength and wisdom to invest in our kids / disciples. For our kids / disciples to come into mature wisdom.
- Raising up our kids / disciples in the grace of God.

2. WISDOM'S WARNING.

Proverbs 1:10-19 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. ¹¹If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: ¹²Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: ¹³We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: ¹⁴Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse: ¹⁵My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path: ¹⁶For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood. ¹⁷Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird. ¹⁸And they lay wait for their *own* blood; they lurk privily for their *own* lives. ¹⁹So *are* the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; *which* taketh away the life of the owners thereof.

- Vs 11-12 is the _____, because this is deep violent sin. It requires enticement.
- Vs 13-14 is the _____. They are posing as a false family.
Note how it works.
 1. Getting rich quick. Vs 13.
 2. A common
- Vs 15 is the non-consent move. Do not walk with the wicked!
- Vs 16-19 teaches the inevitable consequences of walking with the wicked. They are walking toward their own destruction so don't be with them at their end!

It the law of _____; of sowing and reaping. Beware!

Ezekiel 11:21 But *as for them* whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, **I will recompense their way upon their own heads**, saith the Lord GOD.

RECOMPENSE: this is _____ of their sin in _____.

They'll get the wages of their sin back **multiplied** from an infinite God.

This is the law of sowing and reaping. 1 grain of corn sown results in several ears of corn.

- Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery—the whole family ended up bowing at Joes feet.
- Pharaoh drown the Hebrew baby boys in the Nile—his whole army drown in the Red Sea.
- Balaam in serving Moab and Midian, he caused many Israelites to die by tempting them with Moab's whoredom—when Israel got right with God, they took out the Midian force and Balaam died by the sword.
- Wicked Haman plotted to destroy the entire Jewish race and hang Mordicaia on gallows he built for the purpose. Haman's neck was stretched there, and his family was wiped out in the attack on the Jews.
- The king's court forced Darius to throw Daniel in the lion's den (for praying to God!) - when Dan survived the sentence, they were thrown in the den and consumed.
- The Jews, for their part killed Jesus because...

John 11:49-53 And one of them, *named* Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all, ⁵⁰ Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. ⁵¹ And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation; ⁵² And not for that nation only, but that also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad. ⁵³ Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death.

...Titus destroyed Jerusalem within 40 years and the Jewish nation was broken up.

Prayer: Matthew 6:13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

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