WISDOM THAT WORKS

PROVERBS #45

Wisdom in Relationships Pt. 3

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

• Most breaks in relationships are just a _____ of violating basic Biblical principles of getting along with others.

REVIEW

3. Leave a good <u>impression</u> with those whom you have contact with.

Pro 10:7 The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

Pro. 22:1 A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.

4. Don't bring up things that could cause a <u>conflict</u>.

Pro 10:12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

5. Realize that arguments are the result of being <u>proud</u>.

Pro 13:10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

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6. Use your _____ as a tool.

Pro 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

- The greatest way we have to ______ with one another is with our **words**.
- If we are to use our words correctly then we understand the ______, really the power, that our words have in our relationships.
- We have only <u>two options</u> as to how our words will affect our relationships and the people we communicate with.

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Jam. 3:9-10 Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

Pro. 10:19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips *is* wise.

Eph. 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

Col. 4:6 Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

• Those who understand this principle and apply it reap the ______ in their relationships and in their influence with others.

... and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

7. It's is better to enjoy _____ in relationships than to have _____ and ____ with strife.

Pro 15:17 Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.

Pro 17:1 Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.

Psa. 37:16 A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.

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

8. When we live a life that is ______ to God we will have better relationships with

Pro 16:7 When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.

Pro. 3:1-4 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: ² For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. ³ Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart: ⁴ So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

Acts 5:29 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

Matt. 5:43-47 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. ⁴⁴ But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; ⁴⁵ That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. ⁴⁶ For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? ⁴⁷ And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?

Rom. 12:14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

Rom. 12:20-21 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

9. A true friend will ______ be one, their relationship stand the test of _____.

Pro 17:17 A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

• <u>Two great Bible illustrations of this verse;</u>

• The _____ Son.

 Real friendship starts when the ______ comes.

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Pro. 19:7 All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursueth them with words, yet they are wanting to him.

1 Samuel 18:3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.

John 15:13-14 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

10. If we wound someone's _____ we can cause them to give up.

Pro 18:14 The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

• An individual's _____ plays a major role in their success or failure in any aspect of life.

Proverbs 17:22 A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

