

HOPE SABBATH SCHOOL

Proverbs - Part 9

Words of Truth

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on Proverbs. Our topic today: Words of Truth

Scripture Theme Song: "Listen to Counsel" – Proverbs 19:20

- 1) Responding to words of truth
 - a) Proverbs 22:17-21
 - b) What sequence do you see hear?
 - i) Incline your ear/listen
 - ii) Keep them within you (digest)
 - iii) Let them be fixed on your lips
 - iv) That your trust may be in the Lord
 - v) Speak words of truth to others
 - c) Proverbs 6:20-23
- 2) Do not take advantage of the poor
 - a) Proverbs 22:22-23
 - b) Proverbs 23:10-11
 - c) Exodus 22:21-23
 - d) Malachi 3:5
 - e) James 1:27
 - f) Why is caring for the poor such an important part of our Christian journey?
 - g) What challenges do we face when caring for the poor?
- 3) Do not be jealous of the wicked
 - a) Proverbs 23:17
 - b) Proverbs 24:1-2
 - c) Proverbs 24:19-20
 - d) Why would we need to be warned not to envy sinners?
 - e) What is the best antidote for jealousy? Luke 6:30-38
 - f) How do you respond to this teaching of Jesus?
- 4) Don't abuse your body
 - a) Proverbs 23:29-35
 - b) The example of Daniel – Daniel 1:6-15
 - c) The example of Nabal – 1 Samuel 25:36-37
 - d) The example of Belshazzar – Daniel 5:1-4
 - e) 1 Corinthians 10:31
 - f) How would you respond to a friend who said, "It isn't always an abuse of your body to drink alcohol. Isn't the principle here one of moderation rather than abstinence?"
 - g) Share a testimony from your own experience about the damaging effects of abusing your body with alcohol or other harmful substances.
- 5) Recognize your responsibility for the wellbeing of others
 - a) Proverbs 24:11-12
 - b) Genesis 4:9 – are we are brother's keeper? If not, what responsibility do we have for the wellbeing of others?
 - c) Galatians 6:2; John 13:34