

Teaching Outline

Series: Making Wise Choices

Week Five

Prov 3:21-35 (NLT)

²¹ My child, don't lose sight of common sense and discernment. Hang on to them,²² for they will refresh your soul. They are like jewels on a necklace.²³ They keep you safe on your way, and your feet will not stumble.²⁴ You can go to bed without fear; you will lie down and sleep soundly.²⁵ You need not be afraid of sudden disaster or the destruction that comes upon the wicked,²⁶ for the LORD is your security. He will keep your foot from being caught in a trap.

Choosing godly wisdom is a form of _____ against living a troubled life.

²⁷ Do not withhold good from those who deserve it when it's in your power to help them.²⁸ If you can help your neighbor now, don't say, "Come back tomorrow, and then I'll help you."

We want to *bless folks* not be an *irritant* to them.

²⁹ Don't plot harm against your neighbor, for those who live nearby trust you.³⁰ Don't pick a fight without reason, when no one has done you harm.

We can't reach people for Jesus being _____ and cantankerous!!!

³¹ Don't envy violent people or copy their ways.³² Such wicked people are detestable to the LORD, but he offers his friendship to the godly.

These folks lack the single most important thing in the world: God's _____/God's _____.

³³ The LORD curses the house of the wicked, but he blesses the home of the upright. ³⁴ The LORD mocks the mockers but is gracious to the humble. ³⁵ The wise inherit honor, but fools are put to shame!

These words are both a *warning* and a *promise*.

Warning:

Promise:

"I'm _____ you so you can be a _____."

For further reflection: Do I see God's blessings on my life and am I passing on His blessings to others?

Closing Song: The Lord's My Shepherd