# Proverbs <u>Chapter 19 – On Life and Conduct</u>



Orlando Bible Students Special Study – Sunday, September 25, 2022

**References:** Proverbs 19:1-29 (quotations on page 2 are from the New Living Translation. Feel free to cite other versions if you desire.)

**Instructions:** For each question, select 1 of the verses cited and be prepared to answer the question for those verses.

1) Bad conduct and its results: What lesson should we take from these proverbs? *Prov. 19:2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 13, 15, 19, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29* 

2) Good conduct and its results: What lesson should we take from these proverbs? *Prov. 19:8, 11, 17, 20, 23* 

**3)** Contrast between good and bad conduct: What lesson should we take from these proverbs? *Prov. 19: 1, 4, 12, 16, 18* 

4) Miscellaneous counsel regarding conduct: What lesson should we take from these proverbs? *Prov. 19:6, 10, 14, 21, 22, 25* 

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#### **Bad conduct and its results**

- 2 Enthusiasm without knowledge is no good; haste makes mistakes.
- 3 People ruin their lives by their own foolishness and then are angry at the LORD.
- 5 A false witness will not go unpunished, nor will a liar escape.

7 The relatives of the poor despise them; how much more will their friends avoid them! Though the poor plead with them, their friends are gone.

9 A false witness will not go unpunished, and a liar will be destroyed.

13 A foolish child is a calamity to a father; a quarrelsome wife is as annoying as constant dripping.

15 Lazy people sleep soundly, but idleness leaves them hungry.

19 Hot-tempered people must pay the penalty. If you rescue them once, you will have to do it again.

24 Lazy people take food in their hand but don't even lift it to their mouth.

26 Children who mistreat their father or chase away their mother are an embarrassment and a public disgrace.

27 If you stop listening to instruction, my child, you will turn your back on knowledge.

28 A corrupt witness makes a mockery of justice; the mouth of the wicked gulps down evil.

29 Punishment is made for mockers, and the backs of fools are made to be beaten.

# Good conduct and its results

8 To acquire wisdom is to love yourself; people who cherish understanding will prosper.

- 11 Sensible people control their temper; they earn respect by overlooking wrongs.
- 17 If you help the poor, you are lending to the LORD—and he will repay you!
- 20 Get all the advice and instruction you can, so you will be wise the rest of your life.
- 23 Fear of the LORD leads to life, bringing security and protection from harm.

# Contrast between good and bad conduct

1 Better to be poor and honest than to be dishonest and a fool.

- 4 Wealth makes many "friends"; poverty drives them all away.
- 12 The king's anger is like a lion's roar, but his favor is like dew on the grass.
- 16 Keep the commandments and keep your life; despising them leads to death.
- 18 Discipline your children while there is hope. Otherwise you will ruin their lives.

# Miscellaneous counsel regarding conduct

6 Many seek favors from a ruler; everyone is the friend of a person who gives gifts!

10 It isn't right for a fool to live in luxury or for a slave to rule over princes!

14 Fathers can give their sons an inheritance of houses and wealth, but only the LORD can give an understanding wife.

21 You can make many plans, but the LORD's purpose will prevail.

22 Loyalty makes a person attractive. It is better to be poor than dishonest.

25 If you punish a mocker, the simpleminded will learn a lesson; if you correct the wise, they will be all the wiser.