

In the Ring... Wisdom vs. Folly

Part 6 of Proverbs: Simple wisdom for a complicated world

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The wicked flee though no one pursues, but the righteous are as bold as a lion.

Proverbs 28:1

- Paranoid versus Poised

Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

Proverbs 28:13

- Conceal versus Confess

Whoever remains stiff-necked after many rebukes will suddenly be destroyed—without remedy.

Proverbs 29:1

- Resistance versus Receptivity

Evildoers are snared by their own sin, but the righteous one can sing and be glad.

Proverbs 29:6

- Snared versus Singing

Fools give full vent to their rage, but the wise bring calm in the end.

Proverbs 29:11

- Chaos versus Calm

Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe.

Proverbs 29:25

- Fear of God versus Fear of Man.

Discipline your children, and they will give you peace; they will bring you the delights you desire.

Proverbs 29:17

- Discipline equals Delight

Next Steps

Take some time to answer the following questions with your spouse, children, or small group...

- Apple or PC? Ford or Chevy? Coke or Pepsi? Which ones are you?
- Wisdom & folly are constantly at war with each other in the way we live our lives. Take some time to read through the 6 conflicts mentioned above (*read the verses if necessary to give context*).
- Which of these conflicts is the most prominent in your life? Explain.
- Is there a reason why the conflict you named is so prominent and might that reason be that God is wanting to speak to you through it? Where has he been working in your heart in this area? What might he be trying to teach you in this?
- Take some time to pray for one another.