

# **Principles Of Respecting God**

## **Proverbs 15**

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### **A. Speak Out Of Respect For The LORD (15:1-8)**

**2 Corinthians 2:1-4, Titus 2:8**

**1. Like Christ (15:1-2)**

**2. Because God is watching (15:3)**

**3. Shows spiritual life (15:4-6)**

**Hebrews 11:26**

**4. For others (15:7)**

**5. To please God (15:8)**

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### **B. Walk Out Of Respect For The LORD (15:9-19)**

#### **Proverbs 3:6**

- 1. The walk of the wicked (15:9-12)**
- 2. The walk of the righteous (15:13-17)**
- 3. The contrast between the two (15:18-19)**

### **C. Use Wisdom Out Of Respect For The LORD (15:20-24)**

#### **Job 28:28**

- 1. Wisdom's impact (15:20-21)**
- 2. Wisdom's results (15:22-24)**

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### **D. Consider Out Of Respect For The LORD (15:25-29)**

**Haggai 1:5-7**

**1. A. In light of the end result (15:25)**

**2. In light of the Lord's reaction (15:26)**

**3. In light of the present (15:27-28)**

**4. In light of God's presence (15:29)**

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### **E. Be Complete Out Of Respect For The LORD**

**(15:30-33)**

**Colossians 2:10**

**1. In perspective (15:30-31)**

**2. In purpose (15:32-33)**

# **Going The Right Way**

## **Proverbs 16**

**The direction you are going shows the spiritual  
condition of your heart**

# **To Go The Right Way You Need To Know The Right Way**

**John 14:1-6**

**1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.**

**2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.**

**3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.**

**4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.**

**5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?**

**6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**

# **I. Prepare Your Way (16:1-9)**

## **A. Get started (16:1)**

**Proverbs 16:1**

**The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD.**

## **B. Get focused (16:2-3)**

**Proverbs 16:2-3**

**2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits.**

**3 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.**

**It is about how you think**

# **I. Prepare Your Way (16:1-9)**

## **C. Get humbled (16:4-5)**

### **Proverbs 16:4-5**

**4 The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.**

**5 Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.**

**You can humble yourself or get humbled**



# **I. Prepare Your Way (16:1-9)**

## **D. Get disciplined (16:6-8)**

### **Proverbs 16:6-8**

**6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil.**

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

**8 Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.**

## **E. Get directed (16:9)**

### **Proverbs 16:9**

**A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.**

## **II. Go Your Way (16:10-17)**

### **Revelation 20:6**

**Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.**

### **2 Timothy 2:12**

**If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:**

## **II. Go Your Way (16:10-17)**

### **A. Advice for a future king (16:10-12)**

#### **Proverbs 16:10-12**

**10 A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment.**

**11 A just weight and balance are the LORD's: all the weights of the bag are his work.**

**12 It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness.**

## **II. Go Your Way (16:10-17)**

### **B. Actions for a future king (16:13-15)**

#### **Proverbs 16:13-15**

**13 Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right.**

**14 The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.**

**15 In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain.**

## **II. Go Your Way (16:10-17)**

### **C. Aspirations for a future king (16:16-17)**

#### **Proverbs 16:16-17**

**16 How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!**

**17 The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul.**

### **III. Watch Your Way (16:18-24)**

**Matthew 26:41**

**Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.**

**Ephesians 6:18**

**Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;**

**Mark 13:33**

**Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.**

### **III. Watch Your Way (16:18-24)**

#### **A. Watch yourself (16:18-19)**

##### **Proverbs 16:18-19**

**18 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.**

**19 Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.**

### **III. Watch Your Way (16:18-24)**

#### **B. Watch your matters (16:20)**

**Proverbs 16:20**

**He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.**

**Psalm 112:5**

**A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.**

**2 Timothy 2:4**

**No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.**



### **III. Watch Your Way (16:18-24)**

#### **C. Watch your heart (16:21-23)**

##### **Proverbs 16:21-23**

**21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.**

**22 Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools is folly.**

**23 The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.**

#### **D. Watch your words with wisdom**

##### **Proverbs 16:24**

**Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.**

## **IV. Beware The Wrong Way (16:25-31)**

**A. Do not let your thinking get in the way (16:25)**

**Proverbs 16:25**

**There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.**

**B. Is all you do for yourself? (16:26)**

**Proverbs 16:26**

**He that laboureth laboureth for himself; for his mouth craveth it of him.**

## **IV. Beware The Wrong Way (16:25-31)**

### **C. What are your defining traits? (16:27-30)**

#### **Proverbs 16:27-30**

**27 An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.**

**28 A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.**

**29 A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.**

**30 He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.**

## **IV. Beware The Wrong Way (16:25-31)**

**D. When you look back in the end of your life, what do you see? (16:31)**

**Proverbs 16:31**

**The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness.**

# **V. Guidance For The Way (16:32-33)**

## **Proverbs 16:32-33**

**32 He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty;  
and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.**

**33 The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing  
thereof is of the LORD.**

**A. Self-control (16:32)**

**B. God's control (16:33)**