

Reflections Proverb 15:1-18

- I. Reflection on the _____ Vs 1-2, 4
- A. _____ speech Vs 1a
1. Soft-gentle, and _____
 2. Answer-a response to a question or conversation
 3. _____-the result created by an answer other than a soft one
- B. _____ speech Vs 2a
1. knowledge-_____ before speaking
 2. Knowledge from the wise will cause that person to speak
 - a. At the _____ time
 - b. In the correct and _____ manner
- C. _____ speech Vs 4a
1. Gentle-the Hebrew definition refers to healing taking place
 2. A tree of life- a gentle tongue is one that produces life not _____
- D. _____ speech
1. Is harsh and generates _____ in others Vs 1b
 2. Is filled with _____ comments Vs 2b
 3. _____ the spirit of the hearer Vs 4b
- II. Reflection on the wicked and the righteous Vs 5-10, 12
- A. The wicked think they know _____ and are not open to instruction or correction Vs 5
- B. The righteous earn a living by _____ means while the wicked think nothing of dishonest gain and the _____ that comes with the gain Vs 6
- C. The righteous say something worth _____ to, while the conversation of the wicked is not worth one's time investment Vs 7
- D. Any act of worship to God by the unsaved is _____ by God because of their wicked, unchanged heart, while the prayer of the righteous pleases God immensely Vs 8
- E. The _____ of the wicked is despised by God, but delights in those who follow righteousness Vs 9
- F. The wicked hate reproof or discipline when they are in _____ Vs 10, 12
- III. Reflection about God Vs 3, 11
- A. God's _____ Vs 3
- B. God's _____ Vs 11
- IV. Reflection on the human heart Vs 13-15
- A. Merry-happy, _____ Vs 13a, 15b
1. Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous, for praise is natural for the upright Ps 33:1
 2. Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, Rejoice. Phil 4:4
 3. A merry heart should be the heart _____ of the believer
- B. An understanding heart is found in the righteous and is ever desiring to learn because it realizes how _____ it really knows Vs 14a
- C. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks" Mat 12:34
1. What comes out of the mouth comes from the _____ of the heart
 2. The wicked have a foolish heart, because foolishness comes from their mouth Vs 14b

D. _____ is the result of the evil heart Vs 15a

V. Reflection on _____ in human relationships Vs 16-18

A. The condition of the heart will help us have a proper understand of _____ Vs 16

1. Wealth is of no eternal value _____ the Lord in one's life

2. The fear of the Lord will ultimately _____ one's needs being met

a. Pro 16:6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the Lord men depart from evil.

b. Pro 22:4 By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honor, and life

B. The condition of the heart will help us have a proper understanding of possessions Vs 17

1. Possessions produce no _____ happiness

2. Love will produce wealth that _____ cannot buy

C. The condition of the heart will govern our relationship to other people Vs 18

1. The result of one's _____ reveals the condition of that person's heart Vs 18a

2. The heart of one at peace with God will _____ conflict with others Vs 18b

Conclusion: It does us well to reflect on our own mouth, heart and relationship with others, as the results being produced by these reflects our _____ relationship with God.