

Topics in Proverbs

I. Skills in Godly Speech - Pt 2

A. The Connection between the Heart and the Mouth

B. The Connection between the Tongue and Wisdom

C. Identifying the Problems for the Purpose of Correction - Put Off / Put On

1. Are we slow of heart? - Lk 24:25

a. The Emmaus Road discussion - Lk 24:13-25

b. putting 2 and 2 together

2. Understanding the purpose and source of trials - different than temptations

a. Purpose

i. proof, refinement of faith - 1 Pe 1:7

ii. Fulfill God's purpose of making us more like Jesus - Ro 8:28-29

iii. Show what is in the heart, for submission to God's word and change - Jas 1:21

b. Source

i. God, the Father of lights, good and perfect gifts - Jas 1:17

ii. Satan and his minions

- to serve God's purposes - Job 42

- permitted but limited - Job 1:11-12; 2:6

c. Proof that we don't Grasp the reality

i. Complaint about trials - God is sovereign as long as it doesn't affect us in a negative way

ii. Repeating of trials over and over again

3. Self-Analysis of how one handles trials shows areas in need of Change - Jas 1:19-20

a. Remembering the mouth shows what is in the heart - Mt 12:34-35; 15:18-19; Mr 7:21; 11:23

b. God's expectation once the heart is shown, Put Off / Put On - Eph 4:22-24; Col 3:8-10; Jas 1:21

i. Put Away/ Off - Eph 4:22; Col 3:8; Jas 1:21

ii. Be renewed in the Spirit of your mind - Ro 12:2-3; Eph 4:23; Col 3:10; Jas 1:21

iii. Put On/ Be a doer of the word - Eph 4:24; Col 3:12ff; Jas 1:22

D. Speech that Needs to be Put Off with the Put On

1. Lying - Eph 4:25

a. The Character of the Liar

i. Wicked - Pr 12:5

ii. Malicious - Pr 26:24-26;

iii. Hate - Pr 10:18; 26:28;

iv. fools - Pr 14:8;

v. Mad man - Pr 26:18-19;

- vi. Seek Death - Pr 21:6
- vii. Their counsel - Pr 12:5
- viii. Their plans - Pr 12:20
- b. God hates Lying, deception, liars - He is Truth - Pr 6:16-17,19; 12:22; 19:9;
- c. Liars will face judgment - Pr 12:19; 19:5,9; 20:17; 21:28
- 2. Flattery
 - a. The doings of the flatterer - Pr 26:28; 29:5
 - b. Not to be meddled with - Pr 20:19
- 3. Gossip
 - a. God Hates - Pr 6:16,19
 - i. Sows discord - Pr 6:19; 17:9
 - ii. Destroys a neighbor - Pr 11:9
 - iii. Stirs up Strife - Pr 10:12; 16:28; 26:20
 - iv. Reveals secrets - Pr 11:13; 20:19
 - v. Digs up Evil - Pr 16:27
 - vi. Wounds - Pr 18:8; 26:22
 - b. The Character of the Gossip
 - i. Void of Wisdom - Pr 11:12
 - ii. Hates - Pr 11:12
 - iii. Ungodly - Pr 16:27
 - iv. Froward - willful and disobedient - Pr 16:28
- 4. The Put On - Speaking the Truth -
 - a. Shows Character
 - i. Righteous - Pr 12:17; 13:5;
 - ii. Faithful - Pr 14:5;
 - b. Has its reward - Established forever Pr 12:19; Joy Pr 12:20;
 - iii. God Loves the truth teller - Pr 12:22
 - iv. Shows trust in God and His Word- Pr 30:5-6
 - e. The Why
 - i. Shows Love and respect for another - Pr 10:12; 11:12-13; 17:9; 28:23
 - ii. Members of one another - Eph 4:25