Godly Guidance Wed 3/10/21

Proverbs 3 (NKJV)

**3**My son, do not forget my law, But let your heart keep my commands;  
**2**For length of days and long life And peace they will add to you.

**3**Let not mercy and truth forsake you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart,  
**4***And* so find favor andhigh esteem In the sight of God and man.

**5**Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;  
**6**In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

**7**Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the Lord and depart from evil.  
**8**It will be health to your [[c](https://classic.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=prov+3&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-16464c)]flesh,  
And strengthto your bones.

**9**Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase;  
**10**So your barns will be filled with plenty, And your vats will overflow with new wine.

**11**My son, do not despise the chastening of the Lord,  
Nor detest His correction;  
**12**For whom the Lord loves He corrects,  
Just as a father the son *in whom* he delights.

**13**Happy *is* the man *who* finds wisdom,  
And the man *who* gains understanding;  
**14**For her proceeds *are* better than the profits of silver, And her gain than fine gold.

**15**She *is* more precious than rubies,  
And all the things you may desire cannot compare with her.  
**16**Length of days *is* in her right hand, In her left hand riches and honor.  
**17**Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness,  
And all her paths *are* peace.  
**18**She *is* a tree of life to those who take hold of her,  
And happy *are all* who retain her.

**19**The Lord by wisdom founded the earth;  
By understanding He established the heavens;  
**20**By His knowledge the depths were broken up,  
And clouds drop down the dew.

**21**My son, let them not depart from your eyes—  
Keep sound wisdom and discretion;  
**22**So they will be life to your soul And grace to your neck.  
**23**Then you will walk safely in your way,  
And your foot will not stumble.  
**24**When you lie down, you will not be afraid;  
Yes, you will lie down and your sleep will be sweet.  
**25**Do not be afraid of sudden terror,  
Nor of trouble from the wicked when it comes;  
**26**For the Lord will be your confidence,  
And will keep your foot from being caught.

**27**Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, When it is in the power of your hand to do *so.*  
**28**Do not say to your neighbor, “Go, and come back,  
And tomorrow I will give *it,*” When you have it with you.  
**29**Do not devise evil against your neighbor,  
For he dwells by you for safety’s sake.  
**30**Do not strive with a man without cause,  
If he has done you no harm.

**31**Do not envy the oppressor, And choose none of his ways;  
**32**For the perverse *person is* an abomination to the Lord, But His secret counsel *is* with the upright.  
**33**The curse of the Lord *is* on the house of the wicked, But He blesses the home of the just.  
**34**Surely He scorns the scornful, But gives grace to the humble.  
**35**The wise shall inherit glory, But shame shall be the legacy of fools.