

“Love Lifted Me Recovery Ministries”

Favorite Proverbs Bible Study - Part 1

Proverbs 6:30-35 & Proverbs 10:1-6 Lesson #10

****INSTRUCTIONS:** Read the entire section of Scripture in Proverbs before starting to look up the other Scripture verses and filling in the blanks. Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to give you understanding as you read God’s word.
Most Scriptures are from the New King James Version.

30-31 People do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy himself when he is starving. Yet **when he is found, he must RESTORE SEVENFOLD**; he may have to give up all the substance of his house.
• **Exodus 22:1 & 4** “If a man _____ an ox or a sheep, and slaughters it or sells it, he shall _____ five oxen for an ox and four sheep for a sheep.” (Verse 4) “If the _____ is certainly found alive in his hand, whether it is an ox or donkey or sheep, he shall _____.”

Definition: “When he is found, he must RESTORE SEVENFOLD” – For different kinds of THEFTS, there are different laws of RESTITUTION in the Old Testament, such as “five oxen for stealing an ox and four sheep for stealing a sheep.” It seems, by the time of Solomon, it had extended to seven times what was stolen.

• **Numbers 5:7** “Then he shall _____ the _____ which he has _____. He shall make _____ for his _____ in full _____ plus one-fifth of it, and give it to the one he has _____.”

32-33 Whoever **commits ADULTERY** with a woman lacks understanding; **he who does so DESTROYS his own SOUL**. Wounds and dishonor he will get, and his reproach will not be wiped away.
• **Proverbs 6:26-29** “For by means of a _____ a man is _____ to a crust of bread; and an _____ will _____ upon his precious _____.”

Definition: “He who does so DESTROYS his own SOUL” – “Soul” in this context means your LIFE. This is another WARNING of the CONSEQUENCES of sin, and in this case, ADULTERY. You can’t keep committing sin without suffering the consequences. **God’s word warns us** that if we sow to our sinful, fleshly nature, **we will reap corruption**, which is **sin, confusion, emotional turmoil, broken families, financial problems, disease, and even early physical DEATH**. Jesus said, “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit” (John 3:6). Some Christians think they can live any old way they want to, **continually sowing to their flesh**, because they know God will forgive their sins if they belong to Jesus Christ, and they will still go to heaven. That’s true, if they are truly saved, but a life of sin and living in the flesh, with its consequences of corruption, may make the journey to heaven very difficult. Jesus did not just die on the cross to give us fire insurance from hell, but also to give us **an ABUNDANT LIFE here on earth** (John 10:10). We will not experience that abundant life if we continue to wallow in sin and disobedience to God, and sow seeds of corruption to our flesh. Whether the seeds are seeds of **alcoholism, drug addiction, overeating, sexual sins** (ADULTERY is ANY sexual activity other than between a man and woman married to each other), **anxiety and fear, bitterness and anger, or something else, they all bring “fruit after their own kind” in the form of disease, early DEATH, consequences such as prison in some cases, broken relationships, dysfunctional families, and the like.**

• **James 1:14-15** “But each one is _____ when he is drawn away by his own _____ and _____. Then, when desire has _____, it gives _____ to _____; and _____, when it is _____ - _____, brings forth _____.”

34-35 For **jealousy is a husband's fury**; therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance. He will accept no recompense, nor will he be appeased though you give many gifts.

•**Proverbs 27:4** "Wrath is _____ and _____ a torrent, but who is able to stand before _____?"

•**Song of Solomon 8:6** "Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm; for love is as strong as death, _____ as _____ as the grave; its flames are flames of _____, a most vehement flame."

Proverbs 10

1 The proverbs of Solomon: a **WISE SON makes a GLAD father**, but a foolish son is the GRIEF of his mother.

•**Proverbs 15:20** "A _____ makes a father _____, but a _____ man _____ his _____."

•**Proverbs 17:21** "He who begets a scoffer does so to his sorrow, and the _____ of a _____ has no _____."

2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, but **righteousness DELIVERS from DEATH**

•**Romans 8:13** "For if you _____ according to the _____, you will _____; but if by the _____ you put to death the _____ of the _____, you will _____."

•**Proverbs 13:14-15** "The _____ of the wise (God's wisdom) is a fountain of _____, to turn one _____ from the _____ of _____. Good understanding gains favor, but the _____ of the _____ is _____."

3 **The Lord will NOT ALLOW the RIGHTEOUS soul to FAMISH**, but He casts away the desire of the wicked.

•**Psalm 37:18-19** "The Lord knows the days of the _____, and their inheritance shall be _____. They shall not be ashamed in the _____ time, and in the days of _____ they shall be _____."

Definition: "The Lord will NOT ALLOW the RIGHTEOUS soul to FAMISH" - To FAMISH means to be extremely HUNGRY. "Famine" means a time where there is little or no food available (sometimes because of drought - lack of rain). **God promises to take care of us and feed us, and He will carry out His plans and purposes for His people in miraculous ways**, such as with Elijah. **God actually had the ravens bring food to Elijah** for a time, both in the morning and in the evening. God's creation obeys Him when God has a special use for them.

•**Psalm 33:18-19** "Behold, the eye of the _____ is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His mercy, to deliver their soul from _____, and to _____ them _____ in _____."

•**I Kings 17:1-6** "And _____ the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, 'As the Lord God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall _____ be _____ nor _____ these years, except at my _____. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 'Get away from here and turn eastward, and hide by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. And it will be that you shall _____ from the brook, and I have commanded the _____ to feed you there.' So he went and did according to the word of the Lord, for he went and stayed by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. The _____ brought him _____ and _____ in the morning, and _____ and _____ in the evening; and he drank from the brook."

• **Philippians 4:19** “And my _____ shall _____ all your _____ according to His riches in glory by _____.”

4 He who deals with a slack hand becomes poor, but **the hand of the DILIGENT makes one RICH.**

• **Genesis 39:2-3** “And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a _____ man.....the Lord was with him, and the Lord made all that he did to _____ in his hand.”

• **II Thessalonians 3:7-12** “For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our _____; because we did not act in an undisciplined manner among you, nor did we eat anyone’s bread without paying for it, but with _____ and _____ we kept _____ night and day so that we might not be a burden to any of you; not because we do not have the right to this (to be supported by them), but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you, that you might _____ our _____. For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: If anyone will _____, neither let him eat. For we hear that some among you are leading an undisciplined life, doing no _____ at all, but acting like _____. Now such persons we _____ and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to _____ in quiet fashion and eat their own bread.”

Definition: “**The hand of the DILIGENT makes one RICH**” – The dictionary defines **being diligent** as “characterized by steady, earnest and **energetic application and EFFORT**” and **DILIGENCE** as “persevering application.” Obviously, this verse in Proverbs is talking about working hard at a job or occupation for making a living, and that the harder you work, the more prosperous you will be. There are also some things in your Christian walk that require that kind of effort and perseverance, and you need to APPLY God’s word to your life and situations. We’re not talking about working for your salvation, because **salvation is NOT of WORKS, but of grace** (Eph. 2:8-9). This is concerning the BLESSINGS of God, and rewards both here and in heaven. **Here in Proverbs, Solomon mentions becoming rich, but it also applies to being RICH in SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS. Contrast that to the one “who deals with a slack hand” (the LAZY person), and they will be financially poor as well as spiritually poor. The blessings and rewards do NOT come to the LAZY, or procrastinators, or the double-minded, or to those who give half-hearted efforts. What is procrastination? The dictionary defines PROCRASTINATE as “to put off intentionally and habitually the doing of something that should be done.” “Slothfulness” is another word for LAZINESS.**

• **Mark 4:24** “And He said to them, ‘Take heed what you hear. With the _____ measure you _____, it will be _____ to you; and to you who hear, more will be given.’”

• **Deuteronomy 28:1-2** “Now it shall come to pass, if you _____ obey the voice of the Lord your God, to _____ carefully all His _____ which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth. And _____ these _____ shall come upon you, and overtake you, because you _____ the voice of the Lord your God.”

• **Proverbs 19:15** “Slothfulness casts one into a deep _____, and an _____ person will suffer _____.”

Definition: “**Take heed what you hear. With the SAME measure you use, it will be measured to you**” – What does it mean to “take heed” or hearken? It means more than just to listen. It means to listen, **pay attention, and then DO it! To hearken diligently to God’s voice, or His word, would mean that you PUT it into PRACTICE in your life.** You don’t just read it, and let it go in one ear and out the other! Jesus said we must APPLY His word to our lives, or be “doers” of the word, and He said “Take heed what you hear.”

• **Matthew 7:24-27** “Therefore, whoever _____ these sayings of Mine, and _____

them, I will liken him to a _____ man who built his house on the rock; and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did _____, for it was founded on the rock. Now everyone who _____ these sayings of Mine, and does _____ do them, will be like a _____ man who built his house on the sand; and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it FELL. And _____ was its _____.”

● **II Peter 1:3-11** "According as _____ divine _____ has _____ unto us _____ that pertain to _____ and _____, through the knowledge of Him Who has called us to glory and virtue: whereby are given unto us exceeding _____ and precious _____: that by these (promises) you might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. And beside this, giving _____, add to your faith virtue (moral excellence); and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge self-control; and to self-control patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness love. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you to be neither barren or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ..... give _____ to make your calling and election sure; for if you _____ these things, you shall never _____."

5-6 He who gathers in summer is a wise son, but **he who sleeps in harvest is a SON who causes SHAME.** Blessings are on the head of the righteous, but **VIOLENCE covers the mouth of the WICKED.**

● **Proverbs 6:9-11** "How long will you _____, O _____? When will you rise from your _____? A little _____, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep – so shall your _____ come on you like a robber, and your _____ like an armed man."

● **Proverbs 24:30-34** "I went by the field of the _____, and by the vineyard of the man _____ of _____; and there it was, all _____ with _____; its surface was covered with nettles (weeds); its stone _____ was _____ down. When I saw it, I _____ it well; I looked on it and received _____: a little _____, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to _____; so your _____ will come like a prowler, and your want like an armed man."

Definition: "How long will you SLUMBER, O SLUGGARD?" – Solomon is just full of very PRACTICAL WARNINGS for people in this chapter. **Now, he is warning about too much sleep and too LITTLE hard WORK.** Solomon says that the son who refuses to work in the time of harvest will cause SHAME for his father.

Definition: "VIOLENCE covers the mouth of the WICKED" – This is just a saying that means it's the wicked, ungodly people who cause VIOLENCE.