



Proverbs Daily Dose of Wisdom Devotional



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The Bible tells us about being “tried by fire” or “purified by fire.” Proverbs 17:3 reminds us that it’s through the fire we are refined and polished as silver or gold. However, let’s consider the last of that verse: the Lord tests the heart.

I Samuel 16:7 tells us that God doesn’t look on the outward appearance of man, but on the heart. We’re also reminded in Matthew 12:34, that out of the overflow of the heart, the mouth speaks. So let’s compare what this chapter is admonishing us to do with what should be proceeding from our heart.

1. Let the peace of God which is in your heart also be felt in your home and your family life.
2. Remember God is first, but family is second. Honor your parents. Cherish your children while teaching them the laws of God and self-discipline.
3. Truth has set you free; now let it always proceed from your lips. Speak with love in order to correct your brother or sister so that they might further their walk with the Lord.
4. Remember that a cheerful heart is good medicine to all, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.
5. Love at all times, remembering that God has blessed you in order to be a blessing to others.
6. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit in all you do, depending on the knowledge and guidance of the Spirit to speak through you, guide you and provide understanding in all things.

Lord, teach me the wisdom of Your Words and let them take seed and grow in my heart today. Amen.

Read chapter 17 of Proverbs today.

What verse stood out to me _____

What is God's wisdom to me _____

What can I do today to go forward with God's wisdom in my life _____

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