Series: Successful Living

The Simple Man vs The Prudent Man

I. Actions of the Simple Man:

A. Believes every word: (Proverbs 14:15)

Ex: Amasa (2 Sam 20:9-10)

B. Learns from the Punishment of the Scorner:

- 1. (Proverbs 19:25)
- 2. (Proverbs 21:11)

Ex: Children of Isreal (Deut 17:12-13)

C. <u>Does Evil</u>: (Proverbs 22:3; 27:12)

Ex: Samson (Judges 16:1-31)

II. Characteristics of the Simple Man:

Without Understanding: (Proverbs 7:7)

Ex: A Man of God: (1 Kings 13:7-24)

III. Consequences of the Simple Man:

- A. Inherits Folly: (Proverbs 14:18)
- B. Does Evil and Is Punished: (Proverbs 22:3; 27:12)

The Prudent Man is the opposite of the Simple Man.

I. Actions of the Prudent Man.

A. Controls His Temper: (Proverbs 12:16)

Ex. Jesus: (Matt 27:12-14)

B. Conceals Knowledge: (Proverbs 12:23)

Ex: Jehu: (2 Kings 10:18-25)

C. Gathers Knowledge:

1. (Proverbs 13:16)

- 2. (Proverbs 14:18)
- 3. (Proverbs 18:15)

Ex: Paul (2 Tim 4:15)

D. Takes Heed to Reproof: (Proverbs 15:5)

Ex: David (2 Sam 12:7-14)

E. Forsees Sin:

- 1. (Proverbs 22:3)
- 2. (Proverbs 27:12)
 - a. forseeth = to see; advise self, consider.
 - b. hideth = to hide; be

Ex: Joseph (Gen 39:7-10)

II. Characteristics of the Prudent Man.

- A. <u>Understands His Way</u>:
 - 1. (Proverbs 14:8)
 - 2. (Proverbs 14:15)

Ex: Hannah, Mishael, Asariah (Daniel 3:16-18)

B. Has Wisdom:

- 1. (Proverbs 8:12)
- 2. (Proverbs 16:21)

Ex: Solomon (2 Chron 2:12)