

"Don't Raise A Fool" - Proverbs 26:1-12

Many are the miseries of Life. But none are greater than those caused by one's own children. Jacob's children caused him great pain and grief. He once told them that they would bring his gray hair - "with sorrow to the grave." (Genesis 42:38).

I. Fools, Foolish, or Folly occurs _____ in the Book of Proverbs.
- Wise, Wisdom, and or acting Wisely - occurs _____ in Proverbs.

II. Wisdom is _____ from GOD's Perspective.

A. Being foolish is a _____ to see. They don't see because they won't _____. (both are _____)

Mt. 7:26 – hears and does not do Mark 7:21-22 – out of the heart.

B. The Fool _____ there is no GOD; or acts like listening to GOD has _____ on their life. Ps. 14:1

III. **Pastor's Counsel:** (Read a _____ each day in Proverbs)

A. Don't _____ a Fool. Don't _____ a Fool. 26:10

B. Don't _____ a Fool. Don't _____ people a Fool. Mt. 5:22

C. Don't _____ Fool, or be Foolish.

It is a _____. (costly) Prov. 17:6

D. To be Wise takes _____, restraint, and _____.

E. To be Foolish is _____, because our fallen flesh wants us to be _____, angry, fearful, _____, lustful, _____, and _____.

F. A Parent's JOB is to drive these _____ out of a child.
Prov. 22:15 (the _____, the better)

IV. **How do you recognize a Fool?**

1. A fool _____ from his mistakes. 26:11

2. A fool brings constant _____ and contention. 29:9, 18:6-8

3. A fool _____, even though those all around her knows she should. 27:22, 17:16

4. A fool _____ wisdom, and is _____. 1:7, 22; 23:9

5. A fool is defensive, and won't _____. 17:10

6. A fool is complacent, and _____. 1:32, 14:16

7. A fool is angry at GOD, and _____ for his own failures.
19:3

8. A fool has a _____. 29:11

9. A fool says _____, and actually thinks it's important. 12:23, 18:2

10. Fools _____ at sin, _____ sin, and cannot envision living without their darkness. 14:9, 10:23, 13:19
11. Fools never consider _____. 14:8
12. Fools reveal _____ they are by, by the _____ they keep. 13:20, 1 Cor. 15:33

V. A person's relationship with his _____ will be but a _____ of his relationship to his God.

1. Honoring one's parents bring the promise of _____.
Exodus 20:12, Eph. 6:2-3
2. A fool rejects his _____. 15:5
3. A fool brings _____ and hurt to her parents.
17:21,25, 15:20

VI. Further Coaching:

1. Be _____ with your Children, especially early. If your children _____ you, they will love you. If they do not respect you, they will _____ you. 2 Sam. 13-19 (story of Absalom)
2. _____ only comes with _____. If you are _____ on your kids when they are young, Life will be _____ for them. If you are _____ on your kids, _____ will be hard for them.
3. Teach your children the _____, and live it yourself. Prov. 22:6
4. You can do _____ as a Parent, and still end up with a foolish adult child, because ultimately it is _____.

** How have you done in honoring your parents?*