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# Life Advice

Words to live by from the book of Proverbs



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Life Advice Week 4

Main Text

Proverbs 11

Discussion Questions

## **Belong:**

How has being part of First Orlando encouraged your walk with God? What is your favorite part of this community? In what ways are you “paying it forward” and encouraging others in their walks with God?

## **Leader’s Note to Share with your group:**

The book of Proverbs was written as a gracious resource of divine wisdom. Proverbs is a collection of wisdom sayings written primarily by a King in ancient Israel’s history named Solomon, who is the son of King David and Bathsheba.

Some of the sayings come from Solomon himself; others were sayings taught to him by his father, his mother, and a prophet named Nathan. Proverbs teaches, guides, warns, and reveals, giving direction for life; almost like a SIGN simply saying, “Live like this.”

God, in His kindness, has set us up for real life success with the Proverbs.

This month, we're teaching FOUNDATIONS for Wisdom. The big idea is that we are all being formed by something. Something or someone is forming you, guiding you, influencing you, helping shape who you are becoming. The question remains: Is what is forming you wise and good?

**Believe:**

**Read Proverbs 11:1-2**

How would you define pride and by contrast humility? What does Solomon want us to know about the result of each?

*"Humility is the opposite of pride. Humility is grown in an active relationship with God, as we understand WHO God is and all He has DONE for us...the only response is humility.*  
" Pastor Trey Hildebrant

How have you seen a life of humility lived out in real life? What was true of that person?

**Read Proverbs 11:3-7**

What stands out to you from these verses? What does Solomon say points to how a person is living? What "dies with the wicked?" What is another way of saying that? (for example "you can't take it with you...")

**Read Proverbs 11:23-24**

What do these verses say giving actually does? How does a person grow richer when they give freely? Why does this matter?

**Read Proverbs 11:8-13**

What differences do you notice between the righteous and the wicked in these verses? According to Solomon, what do the wicked in particular do with their words?

## **Become:**

### **Read Proverbs 11:13 and 11:25-26**

Describe a person who is a blessing or encouragement to others according to these verses. How have you seen this lived out in real life?

*“The paradox of the Christian life is that we **GAIN** as we **GIVE**. And I mean **GIVE** in every sense of the word here. We **GIVE** kindness, and care, and time, and attention, and work, and money, and our preferences, and our wants...in order to **BRING A BLESSING**. Open eyes to see our world through the lens of **NOT** living for ourselves first, but others first, aligns our lives with God’s design and our own blessing. It is **GOOD** to live this way.”* Pastor Trey Hildebrant

What is one way this week you can bring a blessing to someone else? Is there someone in your life who needs the “water” of encouragement right now? How might you focus on living for the good of others during the month of June?

### **Read Philippians 2:1-11 as a prayer of benediction and encouragement for your group.**

## **Closing:**

- We will be in the book of Proverbs throughout the summer. Who can you invite to church over the next few weeks to hear and discuss this real-life advice together?
- Vacation Bible School is coming to First Orlando June 15-18. We are still looking for volunteers to serve during this AMAZING week of Gospel-centered outreach! To find out more, point your group members to: <https://www.firstorlando.com/vbs/>
- Encourage your group members to sign up for daily Scripture and prayer texts this week by texting ‘daily’ to 40777.