

# Let's Worship God

16th-21st August 2021  
Proverbs



# trust

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ing; in all your ways acknowledge him,  
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[Proverbs 3:5-6]

## Monday - Proverbs 19:1-4 - God's Way and Ours

Verse 1- There's no shame in being poor, except when it's the consequence of doing wrong. God does not judge by position or wealth but by the state of our hearts, and so should we. We need to look at things from an eternal perspective, and in eternity a heart that's right with God is worth far more than millions of pounds.

Verse 2 - Sadly, this verse describes so many Christians in the Church today. They love the Lord, they desire to serve Him, but they don't stop to see how God wants them to work. They aren't doing God's work God's way. They are doing God's work their way, and they can't expect blessing. How can we know God's way? Through His Word. That's the instruction manual for life. But too often we're working for God, and we haven't bothered to read the directions.

Verse 3 - Another proverb that accurately describes men and women around us. We ruin our lives with our sin, then we blame God. The drunk, the adulterer, the gambler all complain about the injustice of God in sending so much trouble in their lives. But who is to blame? Whose actions lead to the mess? And what about Christians. Though we are not quite so foolish as to openly blame God, we like to blame our circumstances - 'I'm too busy to read my Bible and pray. My family needs me to work on the Lord's Day. I can't afford to tithe. I'll lose my job if I speak to my colleagues about Christ.' And when our faith weakens, and our lives start falling apart, we wonder why.

Verse 4 - There is a friend who will stick by you - the Lord Jesus Christ. He has promised never to forsake His people. Whether rich or poor, whatever the circumstances, this friend will show true love.

## Questions

1. What is wrong with doing God's work any way we can?
2. How can we know how God wants us to work?

## Prayer Points

1. Pray that we would grow in our love of God's Word.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

## Memory Verse

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**Praise: Psalm 119:part 9 - See [www.rpglobalalliance.org](http://www.rpglobalalliance.org) for Psalm tune helps.**

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## Tuesday - Proverbs 19:5-10 - In God's Eyes

Verse 5 - God sees everything; He knows everything. There is no way we can lie to Him, or to others without Him knowing. And one day, we will stand before Him and be held accountable for those lies. We need to learn to be scrupulously honest in all we say and do - no exaggerations, no twisting, no polite lies. More than anyone else, the Christian should be trusted.

Verses 6-7 - The world chases after wealth and power and ignores those who can do nothing for them. But Christians are to be different. They are to love their neighbour, no matter who it is. They are not to pursue friendships for what they can get out of it, but for how they can show the love of Christ to others. And wouldn't showing the love of Christ entail speaking of Christ? This is the kind of friend we are to be.

Verse 8 - Wisdom - knowing and doing what God says. What does it lead to? Eternal life, friendship with God, adoption into His family, promises that all will be for our good, forgiveness of sins, guilt taken away, peace, unchanging love, joy, purpose in life, opportunities to serve God, brothers and sisters in the Lord - the list goes on and on. You never, ever lose out by being a Christian.

Verse 9 - This seems almost identical to verse 5. Why is it repeated? Because it's important. Because we need to know that God holds us and everyone accountable for what they say. We must guard our speech.

Verse 10 - God has no honour, no respect for the fool. But the world does. Think of the film stars, the pop stars, the politicians, the football players, who have no time for God and His ways who live in luxury and rule over better and wiser men. When will we stop honouring fools and begin to see the world the way God sees it?

## Questions

1. How can we practice honesty?
2. What are the benefits of new life in Christ?

## Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for the new life we have in Christ.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

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## Wednesday - Proverbs 19:11-14 - Gifts From The Lord

Verse 11 - When we realise what God has done for us, it should become natural with us to be patient with others. How can we treat them differently than God treats us? When we understand the love God has given us, it should enable us to be more loving to others - to not take offense, to overlook thoughtless words and actions. How can we realise and understand what God has done? Through reading His Word, studying it, and hearing it preached.

Verse 12 - How much greater is the wrath and favour of the King of kings, our Lord Jesus Christ, than earthly governments, police, armies, and rulers. How much more should we respect Him and serve Him.

Verse 13 - How can we prevent our families falling apart in the terrible way described in this verse? Through prayer and faithfulness. Prayer for God's preserving and strong grace. And faithful obedience in training up our children in the ways of the Lord, in ruling our households, loving our wives, and submitting to our husbands, and putting God first in all we do. And if this verse describes your family, what then? Prayer and continued faithfulness. Prayer for salvation for your children, for grace to be faithful, strong, patient, and loving, and faithfulness in doing right, in living a Godly life, and in loving the Lord.

Verse 14 - Every good gift is from the Lord. Some come through more means than others - riches passed down from parents or through a job. But a Godly wife, one who loves and fears God, brought into your life is grace direct from God. Thank the Lord for her every day, and pray for the blessing of Godly spouses for your children and the children and young people in the church.

## Questions

1. What do we need to do within our families?
2. Where does every good gift come from?

## Prayer Points

1. Give thanks and pray for your family.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

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## Thursday - Proverbs 19:15-18 - Obedience

Verse 15 - It doesn't take much experience and observation to know that this proverb is true. Lazy habits destroy energy and bring on poverty. But laziness in the things of God is even worse. You think you've done nothing wrong, but you've wasted every opportunity given to you to believe or grow in your faith. Instead of serving God, you are sleeping, and the result is spiritual bankruptcy. You may have all the energy in the world for your job or your family, but do you have energy for the things of God?

Verse 16 - Our obedience of God's commands comes because we love Him. We want to do what He says because He has saved us. We are not saved by obeying, but we are saved to obey. The man or woman who disregards God's commands will destroy themselves.

Verse 17 - Why do we show kindness, why do we show love to others? Is it because we can get something out of it? Will it make us feel good? Or do we do it because we love the Lord, and to love others as He commands is to love Him? If this is the reason, then we can persevere in loving people that are hard to love, in showing kindness when all we get is anger and hatred in return. God is glorified, and He will bless us. Any other reason is really just selfishness.

Verse 18 - How sad it is to see children left to go their own way. Parents need to take warning from this verse. The most adorable small child is still a sinner. They still run after their way and not God's. They need to be taught that God's way comes first. If we think they're too young, if we fail to ever discipline them, or to train them in the things of God, what have we done? We've produced men and women who will seek their own way at all costs - self-centred people who will head down the road of destruction.

### Questions

1. What is the danger of laziness?
2. Why do we need to discipline our children?

### Prayer Points

1. Pray for our covenant and community children.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

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## Friday - Proverbs 19:19-23 - Way of Life

Verse 19 - What is the cure for a quick temper? Many people struggle with it and find their anger breaking out again and again. What do you do? Pray. Pray for grace and strength to learn self-control. Remember who Christ is and what He has done for you. Keep this knowledge in the forefront of your mind, so you will always try to act out of love for Him instead of selfishness.

Verse 20 - Put pride to death. Accept the fact that you don't know everything, and you are not always right. Go to God's Word for guidance, for instruction, for rebuke, for teaching. Believe it, accept it, live it, and you will be wise.

Verse 21 - The Scottish poet, Robbie Burns wrote, "The best laid plans of mice and men, Go oft astray." Sounds very like this proverb. And why? Why do they go astray? Because there is a sovereign God, who reigns as King, and overrules the workings of man. Aren't you glad? Do you have such confidence in man that you would rather he had the final say? Or is the whole reason you can sleep at night because you know that the Lord's plan and purpose will win through, and it will always be good.

Verse 22 - Where can we find unflinching love? In only one place - our Lord Jesus Christ. His love did not fail in Gethsemane, it did not fail on the cross, and it did not fail in the tomb. It will surely not fail you His child whom He's paid such a high price for. Far better to be a poor man or woman and have this love than the riches of the world without it.

Verse 23 - The world says that to be a Christian is foolish, that you lose out. But God promises that obedience leads to peace, contentment, joy, love, and happiness. Put that against what the world has to offer, and you wonder who is really losing out.

### Questions

1. How can you work on a quick temper?
2. What are the benefits of being a Christian?

### Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for all Christ has done for you.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

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## Saturday - Proverbs 19:24-29 - In The Word

Verse 24 - You may have the best intentions in the world when it comes to spiritual things, but do you keep at it when there are obstacles in your path. Or are you like the lazy man in this verse and find it's just too much work to feed yourself spiritual food. When it seems hardest to read the Bible and to pray, to come along to worship, to go to Bible study, this is the very time you need to be most faithful before the laziness overcomes you.

Verse 25 - Why bother arguing with someone who has no time for God? Because of others who might be watching and listening. The mocker is beat, so that those watching will learn. And the wise man takes the rebuke to heart.

Verse 26 - Pray. Pray for the salvation of your sons and daughters. Faithfully train them in the ways of God. Children, obey, and beware of the consequences of rebelling against your parents and against God.

Verse 27 - Stop reading your Bible, stop going to worship, stop attending Bible study, stop family worship, and it won't be any time at all till you start disobeying, start living for yourself, start ignoring God, and grow in foolishness.

Verses 28-29 - The world calls evil good and good evil. They often have a crooked idea of justice, and the more they sin, the more they want to sin. Do they get away with it? Do sinners who hate God, who mock Him in their TV shows, movies, music, by their lifestyle, by the words that they say, by their hatred of Christians win? No. Their day is coming when they will have to stand before a righteous and holy God and answer for what they've done.

## Questions

1. How can you fight against laziness in your spiritual life?
2. When should you defend Christianity to someone who just doesn't care?
3. Do sinners win?

## Prayer Points

1. Pray for the preaching and hearing of God's Word tomorrow.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

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**God tells us that  
Ezra read from  
the book of the Law  
day after day  
and that  
the people of God  
were filled with joy!**

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