

Don't worry! Be righteous!
Does your life display synonymous parallelism
with the life of Christ?

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Introduction

“parallel”

“Proverb”

Parallelism in Proverbs

1. Synonymous Parallelism
2. Antithetical Parallelism
3. Emblematic Parallelism
4. Synthetic Parallelism

The exclusive happiness of the righteous
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12. The gratification of hope gives encouragement.

“hope”
“deferred”
“heart”
“makes sick”

What is the contrast?

“desire”

13. Respecting instruction leads to blessing.

“despises”
“word”

Principle – Those who reject righteous instruction are bringing about their own destruction.

What is the contrast?

“fear”
“will be rewarded”

What is the exclusive happiness of the righteous?

14. A wise teacher is refreshing and life-sustaining.

This verse is synthetic parallelism.

“the law of the wise”
“fountain of life”
“turn away”

Principle – If you heed the law of the wise, you will not dally with the snares of death.

15. The way of the righteous is accepted by God and approved by men.

“good understanding”

Principle - A good name results in a good path through life.

What is the contrast?

“unfaithful”
“hard”

Conclusion

What parallel are you on?

1. The path of the wicked.
2. The path of the righteous.