

Are you a person of godly character?

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Introduction

“character”

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Contrasting Character vv. 18-23, 25

1. Wrath vs. patience

- a. A wrathful man
- b. A patient man

Are proverbs promises or general principles?

2. The lazy vs. the upright

- a. The lazy man
- b. The upright man

3. The wise vs. the fool

- a. A wise son
- b. A foolish son

4. Folly vs. uprightness

- a. The undiscerning fool
- b. The upright walk of the wise man

5. Careless planning vs. careful planning

- a. Careless planning
- b. Careful planning

6. Good, timely words

If we speak the right thing at the right time –

- a. it brings joy to the speaker
- b. it is good to the hearer

7. The proud vs. the lowly

- a. Destructive pride
- b. Humble reliance upon the Lord

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Seven marks of godly character

- 1. Patience that is able to put off personal anger and is able to pacify fiery passions that are already inflamed
- 2. A work ethic that works and does what must be done to provide for self and family
- 3. Wise character that brings joy to others
- 4. Walking uprightly on God’s path of wisdom
- 5. Careful and respectful planning that reaches out to others for counsel
- 6. Speaking good words at the right time
- 7. Understanding our vulnerability and relying on the Lord to protect us and to prosper us

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