“My Son, Fear the Lord”

Intro: Here we continue to read and consider the God-ordained Spirit-breathed proverbial wisdom sayings of the Bible. These are recorded for our learning that we might ________ the ______________-life. As those who are born again through faith in Christ, and having overcome sin and its ruin we are now empowered by the Spirit and able to receive the wisdom of God, bringing us to progressively grow more Christ-like in ________________ and corresponding ________________, maturing in our salvation as living testimonies of the God who saves.

I. The Heavenly Father instructs us who have come to ________________ that Jesus is His Christ in wisdom, that we may live as ________________ with insight, integrity, and intelligence.

A. Godly wisdom teaches that we should ________________ the example of __________, who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; yet while being reviled He did not revile in return; and while suffering He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously. (cf. I Peter 2:22-23) Our joy should never be found in another’s calamity but always in our Father and His trustworthy faithfulness.

B. God teaches us that the wicked will perish and the ________________ will live. While the wicked have things the righteous __________ ____________! The righteous have no reason for which to envy the wicked but everything for which to pity them.

C. In God-fearing obedience the wise submit to His authority and authorities. In refusing to join themselves to any and all rebellions they avoid the calamitous ruin that is sure to come upon those who fail to __________ _____ ________.

D. While the foolish show partiality in judgment, and suffer the reproach of men and nations for it, the wise people of God judge justly and are ________________ ______________ by God for it.
E. The ________ always consult God as they in an orderly fashion first plan, secondly prepare, and only after that do they build their house. This is to the ____________ of ________!

F. ____________ from above teaches us to tell the truth, never bearing false witness against our neighbor for such a one will not go unpunished. Followers of Christ are ____________.

G. The ________ people of God who trust in Christ understand that it is more blessed to forgive than to seek vengeance. These have peace and rest in the reality of God, ________ing that ______ will always do what is right, vindicating His people.

H. Having observed the ways of the sluggishly fool the wise people of God are ______ about their Father's business, appreciating the good gifts with which God has graced them, diligently and thankfully putting the talents He granted them to work as a means of grace whereby ______ __________ their need.

Closing: As we have come to the close of this 24th chapter, we have heard and considered many divine words of wisdom. If we ________ ______ then we will value these, His Words of Wisdom and we will take them to heart, assimilate in our thinking and practices.

Let those who have not believed in Jesus ____________ today, at this very moment. As we preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified and risen again, He is the power of God and the wisdom of God unto salvation. If you will believe upon the Lord ________ Christ you will be saved.

And, for us who have been saved, let us be busy about our Father's business, diligently ________ing the Word of ____________ to our thought and practice, that the glory of God would be made manifest n us and through us. To God be the glory. ________!

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