“The Lord Gives Light”

Intro: In the Proverbs the ________ continues to enlighten us to His will, ________________ His wisdom to us who believe that being adopted into the household of God we would now think and live as the children of God.

I. As Proverbs is a means of grace by which _____ gives us light, let us receive His proverbial words of wisdom that we may be ________________ to His will in everything.

   A. Those who stubbornly ____________ the reproof that _____ means for their best interest will at last come to that which is for their worse interest and sudden and irrevocable will be their _______. Turn to God while time remains!

   B. Those who are enlightened by God understand the divine correlation between ________________ leadership and the joy of the people, and between wicked leadership and the people’s suffering. In this the __________ _______ righteousness for the good of all the people.

   C. The enlightened child loves God and His ____________, and avoiding that sin (foolishness) which wastes away the wealth of his life, this son ____________ to his parents, making them glad.

   D. The wise comprehend that ________________ ________________ a nation while self-willed bribe-influenced leaders bring a nation to ruin. If we are wise and aware we will pray for our nation!

   E. Those who have been enlightened to the holiness of God are also enlightened to the _____ schemes of men. Flattery is a deadly ____________ covered over with a blanket of flowery words. In the wisdom of God receive loving rebuke and reject hateful ________________.

   F. While the foolish seek their joy in that which is their ruin, those who are in ____________ find _____ knowing they can’t be ruined. No one can separate them from the Father’s love!

   G. Those who are ____________ to God’s care for their poor soul worship Him by ________________ for the poor of this world.

   H. Those who are wise in Christ are called the sons of God on account that they ___________ ___________ ___________ by making peace.
I. Knowing it is useless to reason with a fool the wise turn away the anger of the fool by avoiding disputes with them. In this way they are peacemakers.

J. Whether at the moment of conception or full grown to adulthood and even if aged and ill, the church is to defend the sanctity of life for God is the Giver of ________ and He alone has numbered our days. Those who are enlightened to God are wise ________________ of the blameless.

K. While the fool speaks foolishly the wise pray the psalmist's song: "Let the ______ of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be ________________ in Thy sight, O Lord, my rock and my Redeemer" (Ps 19:14).

L. The enlightened of God understand that a man is known by the company he keeps and that dishonesty breeds dishonesty. Realizing that they are the ____________ out ones the wise of heart come ____ from among the evil doers.

M. Knowing God to be the Giver of Life the wise worship Him by ___________ all men, _________ good to all men everywhere no matter they be poor or an oppressor. The wise know the will of God and carry out _____ _____ saying, "Not my will, but Thy will be done!" This is wisdom from above.

Closing: As the wise understand God to be the One who gives the light of life they also comprehend then that each one is ____________________ to God. And if this is true of all then how true is it for those of us whom God has enlightened to the truth of His Son?

Having enlightened us to the truth of Christ Jesus, here today, through His Word, our loving Father has further enlightened us to _____ _____ for our daily Christian living. Indeed, He has granted us everything we need for life and ___________________. Let us wisely receive His Word that through us the light of Christ will shine forth in a lost and dying world. Being adopted into the household of God let us now think and live as the children of God, ____________ing ____ ________ abroad.

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