

## Wisdom and Respect

### Proverbs 24 pt 3

“Eat honey, my son, for it is good, and the honeycomb is sweet to your palate.” -Proverbs 24:8

**As you reflect on your eating habits, what are some rewards of eating a healthy, balanced diet?**

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- \*More e\_\_\_\_\_
- \*Stronger immune system
- \*Better d\_\_\_\_\_
- \*Weight management
- \*Improved m\_\_\_\_\_
- \*Healthy skin, hair, and nails
- \*Better s\_\_\_\_\_
- \*Sharper brain function

**“Let food be your medicine and medicine be your food.”**

### ● Wisdom & Respect pt 3

**13-14 Eat honey, my son, for it is good, and the honeycomb is sweet to your palate; realize that wisdom is the same for you. If you find it, you will have a future, and your hope will never fade.**

**What are some good benefits of eating honey?**

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- \*Contains vital n\_\_\_\_\_
- \*Supports heart health
- \*Aids in w\_\_\_\_\_ healing
- \*Good source of antioxidants
- \*Suppresses a c\_\_\_\_\_
- \*Manages blood pressure and cholesterol
- \*S\_\_\_\_\_!

**How about consuming wisdom?**

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**Wisdom:** Chakam; skillful, act wisely, living in accordance with divine principles, foundation of a righteous life, beginning with the fear of the Lord. Moral and spiritual insight.

**#1 you will have a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- Outcome, rest, latter ending, posterity, time regarded as still to come.

**#2 your \_\_\_\_\_ will never fade.**

- Expectation and desire for a certain thing to happen.

**As you reflect over your life, what is one thing you are hoping for and looking forward to the most?**

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✓ Psalm 34:8; 119:103; Jeremiah 29:11; Ezekiel 3:3

**15-16 Don't set an ambush, you wicked one, at the camp of the righteous man; don't destroy his dwelling. Though a righteous person falls seven times, he will get up, but the wicked will stumble into ruin.**

### **The resilience of the righteous**

In this verse, wisdom gives two commands to the wicked.

➤ Don't set an \_\_\_\_\_ the righteous man.

**Ambush:** lurk, lie in wait, deceit, hidden aggression, malicious intent.

➤ Don't \_\_\_\_\_ his dwelling.

**Destroy:** devastate, ruin, oppress, overpowering or laying waste to someone.

**What are some ways the wicked try to ambush and destroy righteous people today?**

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\*Misinformation

\*Man \_\_\_\_\_

\*Marginalization

**Why does wisdom command the wicked not to ambush or destroy the house of the righteous?**

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➤ Whether the righteous fall into temptation or trouble, they will \_\_\_\_\_ again!

➤ The wicked will not p\_\_\_\_\_.

✓ Psalm 10:8-10; 37:12-15; Micah 2:1-3

**17-18 Don't gloat when your enemy falls, and don't let your heart rejoice when he stumbles, or the LORD will see, be displeased, and turn his wrath away from him.**

**How do these verses connect to the previous verses?**

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➤ It reminds us how to r\_\_\_\_\_ when we see the wicked fall.

**What is our typical response when we see the wicked fall?**

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\*Satisfaction

\*J\_\_\_\_\_

\*Relief

\*B\_\_\_\_\_

\*Gossip

The writer gives two commands for the righteous when their enemies fall.

**#1 Don't \_\_\_\_\_ when your enemy falls. (outward)**

**Gloat:** To express great pleasure because of someone else's failure.

**#2 Don't let your \_\_\_\_\_ when he stumbles. (inward)**

**Heart:** The feelings, the will, the intellect

**Notice the reasons:**

The LORD will \_\_\_\_\_, be \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ his wrath away from him.

Remember the Lord is all seeing. Psalm 136:6

**Why is it so hard to keep from gloating and rejoicing when our enemies fall?**

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\*We want r\_\_\_\_\_!! Romans 12:19-21

**What should we be doing instead of gloating and rejoicing?**

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\*P\_\_\_\_\_

\*Respect them

\*B\_\_\_\_\_ them

✓ 2 Samuel 1:11-12; Matthew 5:44-45

**19-20 Don't be agitated by evildoers, and don't envy the wicked. For the evil have no future; the lamp of the wicked will be put out.**

**How do these verses connect with the previous verses?**

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\*They challenge our a\_\_\_\_\_ towards the wicked and our enemies.

**#1 Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ by evildoers.**

**Agitated:** To be hot, to burn, to be angry, to blaze up

**#2 Don't \_\_\_\_\_ the wicked.**

**Envy:** To be zealous, to provoke to jealousy

**Why shouldn't we be agitated or envious of the wicked?**

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➤ **For the evil have no \_\_\_\_\_;**

**Future:** No outcome, rest, latter ending.

➤ The \_\_\_\_\_ of the wicked will be put out.

**Lamp:** light; The concept of light is a symbol of God's presence. The deeper meaning here is judgement and eternal separation, they will still be, just without the Lord.

**How would you encourage the wicked to walk in the light before it's too late?**

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\*Read and Meditate on God's \_\_\_\_\_!      \*Trust Jesus

✓ Psalm 119:105; John 8:12

**What is one thing you learned that you are willing to share with someone else?**

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**"All stars are born in the dark, and all darkness dies in the light."**