

Gateway to Life Sermon Notes

"And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified." (Acts 20:32)

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PARENTING & PROVERBS It's More Than What You Say

Introduction

The Sayings of the Wise in <u>Proverbs 22:17-24</u>. Today's text: <u>Proverbs 23:15–18</u> Along with WHAT should we communicate to our children, I also want to emphasize the HOW.

Exposition

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT (vv15-16)

- ✓ My heart is glad, when your heart is wise.
- My lips praise, when your lips speak what is right.

Proverbs 10:1, 17:25, 23:17, 29:15, & 3 John 4

WORDS OF EXHORTATION (V17)

Living in the fear of the Lord. In other words, regarding God as so honorable, so worthy, so deserving of our love and devotion, that it causes you to tremble just to think of defaming Him.

WORDS OF PROMISE (v18)

There is a direct correlation between "the fear of the Lord" and a "future hope."

Application

Parental instruction without encouragement and hope may fail to accomplish what you really want. As we teach our children: win their hearts with genuine encouragement; be clear in your counsel; and give hope.

Conclusion

These wise sayings are given to us that we might trust in the Lord, not ourselves.

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