# 41. PROVERBS 13 – CONTRASTS BETWEEN THE RIGHTEOUS AND WICKED. Proverbs 13:20–25

## 4. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ they keep.

<sup>20</sup> He that walketh with wise *men* shall be wise: But a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

 Again, "birds of a feather flock together." *Compare* 1:10; 2:12; 4:14–17; 11:30; 13:13; 14:12; 16:29; 18:12; 21:4; 22:24–25; 23:20–21; 28:7 Walk with wise men – you learn wisdom *from* them. *You learn from fools too*! 1 Kings 12:1–16

<sup>21</sup> Evil pursueth sinners: But to the righteous good shall be repayed.

#### • Understand the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of sowing and reaping.

**Galatians 6:7–10** Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. <sup>8</sup> For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. <sup>9</sup> And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. <sup>10</sup> As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

Note vs **10**. Key to understanding 21b how the righteous are repaid. Also, consider the JSoC. **Luke 6:38** Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

• Evil chases the sinner – why?

The good follows the righteous. Examples...

**Psalm 23:6** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

**Genesis 4:7** If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

**Genesis 42:18–22** And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; *for* I fear God: <sup>19</sup> If ye *be* true *men*, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of your houses: <sup>20</sup> But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so. <sup>21</sup> And they said one to another, We *are* verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us. <sup>22</sup> And Reuben answered them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and ye would not hear? therefore, behold, also his blood is required.

#### "be sure your sin will find you out" Num 32:23

**Psalm 140:11** Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: <u>Evil shall hunt the violent man to</u> <u>overthrow *him*.</u>

### 5. The provision they make.

### An inheritance.

<sup>22</sup> A good *man* leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: And the wealth of the sinner *is* laid up for the just.

Inheritance

Proverbs 19:14 House and riches *are* the inheritance of **fathers**: And a prudent wife *is* from the Lord.

Note the timing, "leaveth." *Leave it when?* Luke 15:11–19

**Proverbs 20:21** An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; But the end thereof shall not be blessed.

• Leave a good \_\_\_\_\_\_. Train up your children in the way they should go.

**Col 3:24** Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.

**1 Peter 1:3–4** Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, **Revelation 21:7** He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

 Loss. "the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just" (this is a message by itself!) Job 27:16–17; Psalm 17:13-14; 49:10, 17; Prov 28:8; Eccl 2:26
 Examples: Gen 31:1-16 Laban to Jacob; Exod 12:35-36 Egypt to Israel; Josh 11:14; Ps 105:44 Canaan to Israel.

"the meek shall inherit the earth"

# Sustenance.

<sup>23</sup> Much food *is in* the tillage of the poor: But there is *that is* destroyed for want of judgment.

 Tillage – previously cultivated land that is not seeded for 1 or more seasons.
 One aspect: There is still provision there. The poor has still has to work to get it. But they can! There may be loss over error!

KEY: Learn what you are doing!

**Ecclesiastes 9:10** Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do *it* with thy might; for *there is* no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

**Colossians 3:23–25** And whatsoever ye do, do *it* heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; <sup>24</sup> Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. <sup>25</sup> But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

## Correction.

<sup>24</sup> He that spareth his rod hateth his son: But he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

• "I cant discipline my kid because I love him." No. You don't. Love gives what is needed.

**Proverbs 3:12** For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth; Even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth. **Hebrews 12:5–10** And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: <sup>6</sup> For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. <sup>7</sup> If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? <sup>8</sup> But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. <sup>9</sup> Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected *us*, and we gave *them* reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? <sup>10</sup> For they verily for a few days chastened *us* after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness.

Proverbs 19:18 Chasten thy son while there is hope, And let not thy soul spare for his crying.
Proverbs 22:15 Foolishness *is* bound in the heart of a child; *But* the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.
Proverbs 23:13 Withhold not correction from the child: For *if* thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die.
Proverbs 13:24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: But he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.
Proverbs 29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: But a child left *to himself* bringeth his mother to shame.
Proverbs 29:17 Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; Yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.

- You want to discipline for *willful* \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- It is called discipline. Do not 'discipline' \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Never use your \_\_\_\_\_. Hands are for care and love.

#### Sustenance.

<sup>25</sup> The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: But the belly of the wicked shall want. *Compare...* 

**Proverbs 10:3** The Lord will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: But he casteth away the substance of the wicked.

**Matthew 6:33** But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Psalm 37:16 A little that a righteous man hath *Is* better than the riches of many wicked.

**Psalm 37:25** I have been young, and *now* am old; Yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his seed begging bread.

Eat to \_\_\_\_\_

**Proverbs 23:2** And put a knife to thy throat, If thou *be* a man given to appetite.

Learn \_\_\_\_\_!

**Philippians 4:11–13** Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, *therewith* to be content. <sup>12</sup> I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.