

## Prudent

**Proverbs 12:16- A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covereth shame.** (KJV)

God reveals wisdom in the Holy Scriptures for believers seeking knowledge. The Holy Scriptures are readily available to learn from in different forms. The Lord God gives believers the ability to learn from the Holy Scriptures. Choosing to learn from the Holy Scriptures is a purely voluntary undertaking. Proverbs offer the opportunity to gain wisdom in a brief and succinct format.

**Proverbs 12:23- A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.** (KJV)

Knowledge is to be used wisely and benefits the believer throughout earthly life. Learning from and about God is a lifelong experience that enriches quality of life. God enables believers to learn for the betterment of daily human relationships. Acquired knowledge is not to be used in ways to belittle other human beings. Knowledge helps the believer to express love and understanding in relationships.

**Proverbs 13:16- Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.** (KJV)

Wise believers turn to God for guidance in the best ways to use knowledge. Applied knowledge advances daily life and enhances the quality of life. Knowledge originates with God and is acquired through the goodness of God. The ability to comprehend and acquire knowledge is a gift from the Lord God. The believer is indebted to God for the opportunity of beneficial learning.

**Proverbs 14:8- The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way: but the folly of fools is deceit.** (KJV)

Honesty and truthfulness are essential in the seeking and application of learning. God is truth and knowledge is an expression and form of truth for use in life. Life originates with God and exists due to the goodness and mercy of God. Wisdom exercised enhances and adds to the quality of life for believers. The believer's experience of acquiring wisdom is a manifestation of God's love.

**Proverbs 14:15- The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going.** (KJV)

Loving God and being grateful to God are healthy applications of wisdom. Realizing that knowledge and goodness come from God facilitates daily life. Ensuring that truth prevails in daily undertakings strengthens intended outcomes. Falsities eventually are uncovered in life and lead to undesirable results. The Lord provides the basis and knowledge for building and leading a healthy life.

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