**PROVERBS 21 DISCERNING BETWEEN HONESTY AND DISHONESTY**

**Pro 21:1** The LORD controls the mind of a president as easily as he directs the course of a stream.

Pro 21:2 You may think that everything you do is right, but remember that the LORD judges your motives.

Pro 21:3 Do what is right and fair; that pleases the LORD more than bringing him gifts and service.

Pro 21:4 Wicked MEN are controlled by their conceit and arrogance, and this is sinful.

Pro 21:5 Young Baptist worker, plan carefully and you will have plenty; if you act too quickly, you will never have enough.

Pro 21:6 The results you get by dishonesty soon disappear, but not before they lead you into the jaws of death.

Pro 21:7 Evil MEN are doomed by their own violence; they refuse to do what is right.

Pro 21:8 Guilty MEN walk a crooked path; the innocent do what is right.

Pro 21:9 Better to live on a balcony than share the house with a nagging wife.

Pro 21:10 Rotten MEN are always hungry for evil; they have no mercy on anyone.

Pro 21:11 When a young Baptist worker who is conceited gets his punishment, even an unthinking church member learns a lesson. An evangelist who is wise will learn from what he is taught.

Pro 21:12 God, the Holy righteous one, knows what goes on in the homes of unbelieving MEN, and he will bring the rebellious down to ruin.

Pro 21:13 If you, young Baptist brother, refuse to listen to the cry of the poor, your own cry for help will not be heard.

Pro 21:14 If someone is angry with you, a gift given secretly will calm him down.

Pro 21:15 When justice is done, good MEN are happy, but evil MEN are brought to despair.

Pro 21:16 Death is waiting for any young Baptist brother who wanders away from good sense.

Pro 21:17 Indulging in luxuries, wine, and rich food will never make you wealthy.

Pro 21:18 Bad MEN bring on themselves the suffering they try to cause good people.

Pro 21:19 Better to live out in the Kherson desert than with a nagging, complaining wife.

Pro 21:20 Wise MEN live in wealth and luxury, but stupid young brothers spend their money as fast as they get it.

Pro 21:21 As a church planter be kind and honest and you will live a long life; others will respect you and treat you fairly.

Pro 21:22 A shrewd church planter can take a city defended by strong men, and destroy the spiritual barriers they relied on.

Pro 21:23 If you as a young Baptist evangelist want to stay out of trouble, be careful what you say.

Pro 21:24 Show me a conceited MAN and I will show you someone who is arrogant, proud, and inconsiderate.

Pro 21:25 Lazy young Baptists who refuse to work are only killing themselves;

Pro 21:26 all they do is think about what they would like to have. The pure and truly righteous, however, can give, and give generously.

Pro 21:27 The LORD hates it when deceptive MEN offer him fake gifts and service, especially if they do it from evil motives.

Pro 21:28 The testimony of a liar is not believed, but the word of a church planter who thinks matters through is accepted.

Pro 21:29 Holy Godly righteous young Baptist workers are sure of themselves; the rotten ones have to pretend as best they can.

Pro 21:30 Human wisdom, brilliance, insight---they are of no help if the LORD is against you.

Pro 21:31 You can get your spiritual resources and tracts ready for battle, but it is the LORD who gives victory.