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**PROVERBS 13:1-9**

## I CHOOSE LIFE AND BLESSING

There are always consequences for every decision you make. For example, when you say hurtful words to others, it will hurt the person. If you are careful in choosing your words, people will respect you. When you are lazy and do not study well, you will not get good marks. If you are hard-working and study well, you will definitely pass with flying colours.

Whatever action you take, you will either be blessed or ruined. In short, there are always consequences for every choice you make. When someone chooses to continue to live in sin regardless of the many corrections given to them, their life will ultimately go to destruction.

Those who choose to live in righteousness will be blessed! It is because they follow God's guidance, protection and leading on the correct path. Choosing righteousness means choosing God, life and blessing!

Would you like to choose to walk in righteousness so that God's protection works greatly in your life which results in abundant blessings for your future?

### **Key verse:**

*Proverbs 13:6  
Goodness  
protects honest  
people, but evil  
destroys those  
who love to sin.*

### **Prayer**

*Dear God, I  
choose to live a  
righteous path.  
I choose You. I  
choose life and  
choose blessing.  
Thank You for  
Your great  
protection! Amen.*





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## PROVERBS 15:15-17

### A MERRY HEART

Your attitude is far more important than the circumstances around you. You may see some people who seem lacking in life but still look so happy while others who are very rich live miserably. It proves that being happy and joyful does not depend on the circumstances or how much money you have, it is about your heart and choice.

The Bible says that it is God's desire for you and me to have a merry heart so that we can have a continual feast. Having a continual feast means enjoying your life. When you have a merry heart and gladness, regardless of your situations and circumstances, you will still enjoy your life!

This does not change the fact that we all go through the ups and downs in life. But God has promised that He would give us the ability to overcome everything that comes in our lives. We can choose to have a merry heart in every circumstance.

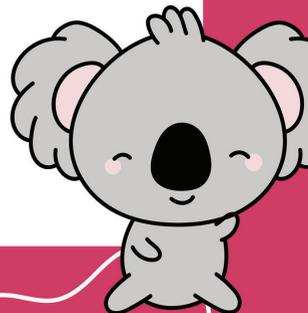
We will always have a merry heart when we obey God's word and live within God's will. Trust Christ and have a merry heart all the time.

#### Key verse:

*Proverbs 15:15b  
But he who is  
of a merry heart  
has a continual  
feast.*

#### Prayer

*Dear God, I count  
my blessings and  
my heart is full of  
thankfulness. Let  
my merry heart  
overcome the  
difficulties that I  
am facing right  
now. Amen.*





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## PROVERBS 16:1-4

# THE BEAUTY OF TRUSTING GOD

To commit to the Lord means to offer your loyalty, time and what we have to God. It needs trust. When you have trust in God, it will be easy for you to be committed to Him. Having trust in God allows you to be able to enjoy the life that He has planned out for you.

It is not easy to trust someone you have never seen with your physical eyes, right? However, one crucial thing to remember: God is your creator thus there is no way in the world He plans something bad for you.

Lots of times, you and I lean on our own strength regarding our future, our plan or our daily tasks. This is why this verse is the answer. It is telling us to trust God with our plans and trust Him in whatever we do.

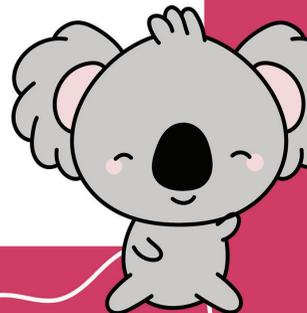
You can trust God because He's good. He's going to always be there to walk you through the challenges that life brings. When you fall, He'll always catch you. Trust Him and He will help you to conquer the battle and you will get the victory in life. Let's enjoy the beauty of trusting God!

### Key verse:

*Proverbs 16:3  
Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.*

### Prayer

*Dear God, guide me so that I will always choose the righteous path. Let it be less of me and more of You throughout my life. Amen.*





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## PROVERBS 17:6-25

# THE BEAUTY OF GRANDCHILDREN

**G**randparents are your parents' parents. Some of you might have seen them since you were a baby. Some might have not met them as they had already passed on. Regardless of it, you surely must have heard a lot of stories about your grandparents from your parents! You must have heard of their legacy.

You and I are the crown of our grandparents. A crown is a symbol of honor and reward. Grandchildren are to rise up and honor their grandparents. As they are much older than us, they deserve our respect. There are many things we can learn from them. Spend some time to listen to their wisdom of life.

Just like what is written in God's commandment, let's honour them by spending time with them, listening to them, praying for them and talking to them nicely. Let's crown our grandparents and parents with our love and care for them. Follow their good and righteous examples in life. They will be proud of you.

### Key verse:

*Proverbs 17:6  
Grandchildren  
are the crown  
of old men,  
And the glory  
of sons is their  
fathers.*

### Prayer

*Dear God, I am  
such a blessed  
grandchild and  
I will honour my  
grandparents and  
parents. Amen.*





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## PROVERBS 18

# JESUS IS THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT

Giving gifts is one way to gain and maintain your friendship with your friends. Receiving gifts makes you feel appreciated and everyone loves receiving gifts. A gift given at the right time at the right place can bring its utmost effect.

A gift often opens up a way for you to interact further with others and lead you to meet new interesting people. Those new people might become your new best friend or help you when you are in need in the future.

During the Christmas season, you will be excited to buy gifts for your family and friends. You will also receive many gifts from your loved ones. However, one most precious thing about Christmas is Jesus! Jesus is God's gift to you and me, and Jesus is the best Christmas gift ever!

Sometimes, you might think that other gifts may look more interesting and fun than Jesus. But JESUS is the only gift that will never expire, will never get broken, lasts forever, fills us with real joy and opens many doors of blessings into our life.

### Key verse:

*Proverbs 18:16  
Gifts can open many doors and help you meet important people.*

### Prayer

*Dear Jesus, You are the best and most precious gift I ever received in my life. I am ready to experience the many doors of blessings You have prepared for me. Amen.*





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## PROVERBS 19:11-12

### BE SLOW IN ANGER

Have you ever felt like the Incredible Hulk? You were full of anger to the extent that you felt like banging the tables, screaming, and throwing things to others? You felt like it was so hard to control your anger.

Getting angry is not a sin but when you let the anger take control over you, that makes you become very hostile and nasty. Then it will create a lot of trouble and mess. It will only hurt yourself and scare others. Nothing left, but regret.

This Proverb encourages us to be known for being well-tempered. Don't let little things throw you off. Always be willing to give someone a second chance. In return, when you wrong someone else, they will also be forgiving towards you. Remember that God always forgives you no matter how many times you sin and ask for forgiveness from Him.

When angry, count to ten before you speak. If very angry, count to one hundred - Thomas Jefferson

#### Key verse:

*Proverbs 19:12  
A king's anger scares people like the roar of a lion. But his kindness is as pleasant as the dew on the grass.*

#### Prayer

*Dear God, may the Holy Spirit guide me to overcome evil with good. May God's love and forgiveness work well in my life. Amen.*





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**PROVERBS 21:12-17**

## SPEND WISELY

How have you been spending the pocket money given by your parents? Have you been buying cute and adorable erasers even though you still have many new and unused erasers at home? Have you been saving money from your pocket money or do you always spend your money on stuff that you don't really need?

Your parents or teachers teach you how to use your money wisely. The Bible also teaches us how to be a wise spender. We need to be wise with the resources God has given us. One of the ways is by setting a budget. Before buying something, you might also want to give a second thought if you really need it. Buying things does not always bring pleasure to you.

It is always good to save up. In the future, you can use your saving when you need it. You are not too young to start being a wise spender.

### **Key verse:**

*Proverbs 21:17  
Whoever loves pleasure will become poor.  
Whoever loves wine and rich food will never be wealthy.*

### **Prayer**

*Dear God, may I find pleasure only in You who is eternal. As much as I enjoy all the blessings You have given me, I also want to be wise and sparing in utilizing them.  
Amen.*

