

Duty

The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

– Ecclesiastes 12:13

Developing Duty

Discernment

[...] 11 Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.

– Acts 17:10-11

“The moment we Christians start looking for an authoritarian “strongman” to lead us is the moment we stop looking for the One who leads by washing feet, who rides a donkey instead of a warhorse and who tells his followers to put away their swords and take up their crosses instead.”

- [Social Media Quote that Justin did a live analysis of during the teaching]

Developing Discernment

Hear, O sons, a father's instruction, and be attentive, that you may gain insight, 2 for I give you good precepts; do not forsake my teaching.

– Proverbs 4:1-2

ATTENTIVE [NW1828]: Heedful; intent; observant; regarding with care. It is applied to the senses of hearing and seeing, as an attentive ear or eye; to the application of the mind, as in contemplation

Defense/Protection

Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

– Proverbs 30:5

12 For the protection of wisdom is like the protection of money, and the advantage of knowledge is that wisdom preserves the life of him who has it.

– Ecclesiastes 7:12

My son, be attentive to my wisdom; [...] 3 For the lips of a forbidden woman drip honey, and her speech is smoother than oil, 4 but in the end she is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two-edged sword. 5 Her feet go down to death [...] - Proverbs 5:1-5

The backslider in heart will be filled with the fruit of his ways, and a good man will be filled with the fruit of his ways.

– Proverbs 14:14

Where there are no oxen, the manger is clean, but abundant crops come by the strength of the ox.

– Proverbs 14:4

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[...] 6 And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house [...] 8 You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 9 You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. – Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Duty

Develop Daily Discipline

Carve out time

Eliminate distractions

Discernment

Develop Attentiveness

Pay attention to what you're reading.

Defense/Protection

Practice obedience

Memorize through teaching, talking, binding and writing.