

*God's Wisdom: More Valuable Than Gold*

***“Be Wise About Integrity”***

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Proverbs 2:7; 11:3

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- A. Integrity involves consistently putting all of God's \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. The dictionary defines wisdom as “the state of being \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.”
- C. There was a time in the U.S. when maintaining one's \_\_\_\_\_ was more \_\_\_\_\_ than almost anything else.
- D. Proverbs calls us to live lives of integrity and to be \_\_\_\_\_ by it. (Pr. 2:7; 10:9; 11:3; 13:6; 28:18)
- E. I'm sure that we want the good and positive blessings of living with integrity: being \_\_\_\_\_, shielded and \_\_\_\_\_, guided, \_\_\_\_\_, and receiving assistance.
- F. Integrity is a very \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ thing.
- G. When the N.T. writers were trying to communicate the quality of integrity, they would use words like “\_\_\_\_\_,” or “incorruptibility,” or “\_\_\_\_\_.”
  - 1. “Sincerity” literally in Greek means “judged in \_\_\_\_\_,” and the English word is derived from a Latin root that means “without \_\_\_\_\_.”
- H. The idea of integrity is a key theme in the story of \_\_\_\_\_. (Job 1:1; 8)
- I. The idea of integrity is also a key theme in the story of \_\_\_\_\_. (Ps. 78:72; 1 Chr. 29:17; 1 Kgs. 9:4-5)
- J. First, Integrity means telling the \_\_\_\_\_ and keeping your \_\_\_\_\_ even when it hurts. (Pr. 12:17; Ps. 15:1)
- K. Second, Integrity means \_\_\_\_\_ up to our \_\_\_\_\_. (Pr. 14:9)
- L. Third, Integrity means treating people \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and without prejudice.
- M. Fourth, Integrity means being a good steward of our \_\_\_\_\_ - paying our \_\_\_\_\_, being \_\_\_\_\_, never \_\_\_\_\_ or cheating. (Pr. 28:6; 11:24; 22:9; Ps. 37:21)
- N. Fifth, Integrity means fulfilling our \_\_\_\_\_ - being faithful to our \_\_\_\_\_, children, and \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Tim. 5:8)
- O. Sixth, Integrity means being a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ employee.
- P. Seventh, Integrity means being a good \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of our country. (Rom. 13:1-5)
- Q. Engraved on headstone: “A man of \_\_\_\_\_.”
- R. Saying from Ted Engstrom's book “The Making of a Christian Leader” that starts: The world needs men and women who cannot be bought....

Answer Key: A. wisdom, practice. B. complete, unified. C. integrity, important. D. blessed. E. successful, guarded, secure. F. practical, personal. G. truthful, sincerity. G.1. sunlight, wax. H. Job. I. David. J. truth, promises. K. owning, mistakes. L. justly, equally. M. finances, debts, generous, stealing. N. responsibilities, spouse, parents. O. hardworking, trustworthy. P. citizen, obeying, laws. Q. unquestioned, integrity.