



Part 4: Okay Kid, Listen Up  
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**Plans fail for lack of counsel,  
but with many advisers, they succeed.**  
– Proverbs 15:22

### **The Call to “Heart Work” in Proverbs 3**

<sup>1</sup> My son, do not forget my teaching,  
but keep my commands in your heart,  
<sup>2</sup> for they will prolong your life many years  
and bring you prosperity.

#### • The Heart Work of Devotion

<sup>3</sup> Let love and faithfulness never leave you;  
bind them around your neck,  
write them on the tablet of your heart.  
<sup>4</sup> Then you will win favor and a good name  
in the sight of God and man.

#### • The Heart Work of Trust

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the LORD with all your heart  
and lean not on your own understanding;  
<sup>6</sup> in all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make your paths straight.

#### • The Heart Work of Humility and Holiness

<sup>7</sup> Do not be wise in your own eyes;  
fear the LORD and shun evil.  
<sup>8</sup> This will bring health to your body  
and nourishment to your bones.

#### • The Heart Work of Stewardship

<sup>9</sup> Honor the LORD with your wealth,  
with the firstfruits of all your crops;  
<sup>10</sup> then your barns will be filled to overflowing,  
and your vats will brim over with new wine.

#### • The Heart Work of Correction

<sup>11</sup> My son, do not despise the LORD’s discipline  
and do not resent his rebuke,  
<sup>12</sup> because the LORD disciplines those he loves,  
as a father the son he delights in.

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## The Payoff for Heart Work

- <sup>13</sup> Blessed is the man who finds wisdom,  
the man who gains understanding,  
<sup>14</sup> for she is more profitable than silver  
and yields better returns than gold.

## Next Steps

Take a moment this week and write a thank you note to your boss. Express gratitude for the opportunity to work. Don't do it to get something. Do it because God has given you so much.

## On Your Way Home

As you travel home in freedom and safety, please take a moment and thank God for those people who paid the ultimate price so that you could live free.

### Small Group Discussion Questions



1. What is the best piece of wisdom you have ever received?
2. Who is the wisest person you know? What makes them wise in your eyes?
3. The Bible says "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers, they succeed." Who do you go to for solid biblical wisdom?
4. In what ways do you or could you acknowledge God in your moment-by-moment, day-by-day existence?
5. What does God's discipline look like? Have you ever experienced it? What did you learn?
6. How can we pray for you tonight?