

PROVERBS: DISCIPLINE

Proverbs 3:11-12

1. My son, _____ the Lord's discipline.

2. Do not _____ the Lord's reproof.

3. For the Lord reproves him _____.

Review & Study

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- A. Continue to practice quoting **Proverbs 1:7**: *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.* ^{ESV}
- B. Answer the following questions about **Proverbs 3:11-12**:
 1. Who were the words recorded here originally spoken by and what motivated them? To whom were these instructions originally addressed? Should you take these instructions to heart as well?
 2. According to the first part of verse 11, what are you told to not do? What does it mean to despise something? What is the Lord's discipline? What purpose does such discipline have? How does such discipline usually come to you?
 3. What does the second part of verse 11 say? How is this like the first part of the verse? How is this unlike the first part? What does it mean to be weary of something? What do you need to keep in mind so that you do not become weary of the Lord's reproof?
 4. What does verse 12 tell you about who God reproves? What then is God's motive for disciplining and reproofing you? What assurance does this truth give you? What is this love like according to the second half of verse 12? How then does God see you and what does he want for you? To what do you owe your inclusion into God's family, that is, into being one of his own children?
- C. Answer the following questions about **Hebrews 12:5-6**:
 1. According to the first part of this passage, who is addressed here? What does this mean for the application of this quote from Proverbs 3? Are you one of these people?
 2. What further insight do you have after reading this version of God's Word that was originally given by Solomon in Proverbs?
- D. Answer the following questions about **James 1:2-4**:
 1. What are you told to consider as pure joy? What might be included in this "trials of many kinds"?
 2. What can you know about the results of such testing of your faith? What are you willing to do to have these results be yours?
- E. Application
 1. How do you view the hardships you go through, blessing or curse? How valuable is the discipline of the Lord to you?
 2. How might the LORD want you to pray about this?