

At All Cost – Part 2

Plea #1 - Seek the wisdom of your godly father

(Or other godly people) (Prov 4:1–9)

Plea #2 – Seek wisdom to guide your life (Prov 4:10–19)

Plea #3 – Seek wisdom to improve your health (Prov 4:20–27)

- I. Pay attention and _____ the words I tell you (Prov 4:20-21)
- II. Obeying the words leads to _____ (Prov 4:22)
- III. Guard your _____ (Prov 4:23; Mark 12:30-31)
 - A. The heart is our _____
It contains and determines our _____, affections, and _____
 - B. Our beliefs, desires, thoughts, and actions _____ in the heart
 - C. Our heart _____ who we truly are
 - D. Loving God with all our heart means:
 1. Allowing His word to _____ (Prov. 3:1-2)
 2. _____ in our relationship with God every day (Prov. 3:3-4)
 3. Our relationship with God as our _____ priority (Prov. 3:5-6)
- IV. Guard your _____ (Prov 4:24; James 3)
 - A. Wisdom produces the _____ and _____ words
 - B. The tongue _____ the _____ of our heart
 - C. The tongue is _____ (James 3:1-4)
 1. Our tongue has the power to _____ others (influence them positively or negatively) (James 3:1)
 2. Our tongue has the power to cause us to _____ (James 3:2)
 - D. Our tongue can _____ us (James 3:5-8) (How does the tongue corrupt?)
 1. It is _____ (James 3:5)
 2. It is _____ (James 3:6)
 3. It is _____ (James 3:7-8)

- E. Our tongue is _____ (James 3:9-12)
 1. We have a forked tongue (We _____ and _____ God) (James 3:9)
 2. The truth - What you say will _____ your _____ character (James 3:10-12)
- V. Guard your _____ (Prov 4:25; Heb 12:2)
 - A. The eyes _____ the _____
 - B. We need to focus our eyes on _____ (Heb 12:2)
- VI. Guard our _____ (Prov 4:26-27)
 - A. Your actions, like the tongue, _____ what's in your _____
 - B. If you choose the path of holiness, you will be _____ and _____
 - C. We fix our eyes on Jesus, so we don't get _____ by the _____ things that surround us
 - D. Illustration – Picking a fixed point to plow the field

Questions to Ponder

- I. How is your _____?
- II. What is the desire of your _____?
- III. Are you careful to _____ teach God's word?
- IV. What are you reading, watching, or listening to that has a positive or negative impact on my _____?
- V. Do my actions _____ my love for God?
- VI. Is there anyone or anything that takes my _____ and _____ from God?
- VII. Do you understand the _____ of your words and actions?