

Wednesday, July 10, 2024 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

Message Title: The Counsel of God Message Text: Proverbs 19:20-21

## Introduction:

The common experience of humanity without the knowledge of God is to be tossed to and fro by ever wind of doctrine, that is every new teaching that man produces. Solomon said that there is no end of the making of books. (Ecclesiastes 12:12) The internet is full of information that has been proposed as credible only to be discovered upon practice to be very unreliable. Where can we turn in this a world of swirling ideas? Solomon, the wisest man to ever live, gave His son sound advice that LORD has preserved for our benefit today. Let's consider the eternal counsel of God.

## 1. A Pattern to \_\_\_\_\_(20)

Proverbs 19:20 <u>Hear</u> counsel, and receive instruction, <u>That</u> thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

DEFINITION—COUNSEL: something that provides direction or advice as to a decision or course of action.

Proverbs 15:22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: But in the multitude of counsellers they are established.



Numbers 31:16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the Lord in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the Lord.

Psalm 1:1 Blessed is the man That walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor standeth in the way of sinners, Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

DEFINITION—INSTRUCTION: discipline (training); training to improve strength or self-control.

James 1:2–3 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; 3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

NOTE — We become wise through the process of hearing good counsel and receiving instruction

Proverbs 16:31 The hoary head is a crown of glory, If it be found in the way of righteousness.

Proverbs 12:15 The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: But he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

Proverbs 1:5 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; And a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

## 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ to Embrace (21)

Proverbs 19:21 There are many devices in a man's heart; Nevertheless the counsel of the Lord, that shall stand.

DEFINITION—DEVICES: plots, meditations, plans, imaginations, inventions, intentions

Proverbs 21:2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: But the Lord pondereth the hearts.

DEFINITION—COUNSEL: knowledge, thought, plan

DEFINITION—STAND: to remain; to be in effect or extant; be or remain in force.

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: It shall not return unto me void, But it shall accomplish that which I please, And it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Matthew 5:18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

1 Peter 1:23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

Psalm 100:5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; And his truth endureth to all generations.

Psalm 119:89 For ever, O Lord, Thy word is settled in heaven.

QUOTE: Contrast the many purposes of man, shifting, changing, from good to better, from bad to worse, and the one unchanging righteous "counsel" of Jehovah. —Barnes

Psalm 33:10–11 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: He maketh the devices of the people of none effect. 11 The counsel of the Lord standeth for ever, The thoughts of his heart to all generations.

Acts 20:27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

Conclusion			

