**"Guard Your Hearts" (Proverbs 4:23)**

**Lesson 5: Guard from Evil**

* **Scripture**: Prov. 4:27 - Do not turn to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.
  + **Other Scripture References**:
    - Deut. 5:32; 17:11; 28:14
    - Josh. 1:7
    - Isa. 33:15; 56:2
    - 1 Cor. 10:6
* **Key Idea & Theme**:
  + This verse is a call to spiritual consistency and moral discipline. It urges us to stay focused on God's path and not be led astray by distractions, temptations, or compromise.
* **Lessons**:
  + Stay Focused on the Right Path
  + Avoid All Forms of Evil
  + Consistency in Obedience Matters
  + Righteous Living Is a Daily Choice
  + Your Direction Shapes Your Destination
* **Discussion Questions:**
  + Why does God instruct us not to turn to the right or left so many times?
  + How can we know if we have turned or are still on the straight path?
  + Why or what tempts you to do evil?
    - Give 3 ways you can keep your foot from evil.
    - If you were a goalie for soccer, how hard would you try and guard the goal to not let the other team score?
      * Now, spiritually speaking how hard do you try to guard your foot from evil?