**"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?