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Relationships As They Should Be

**God's way leads to meaningful
and life-giving relationships.**





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Friends and False Friends (18:22-19:7)

Everyday Life Relationships (19:8-15)

**Parent-Child Relationship and Beyond
(19:16-23)**





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Proverbs 18:22




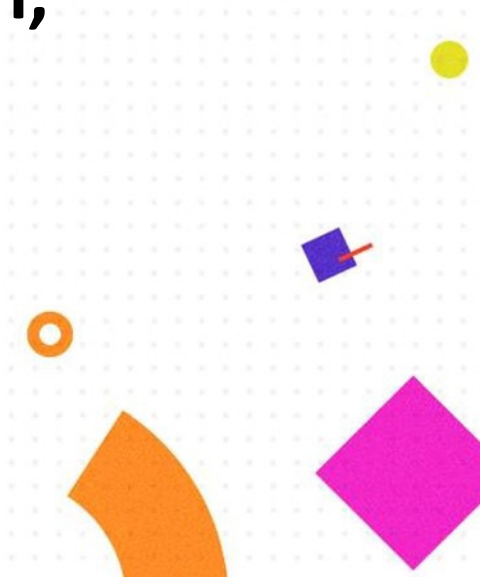




**²² He who finds a wife finds a good thing
and obtains favor from the LORD.**

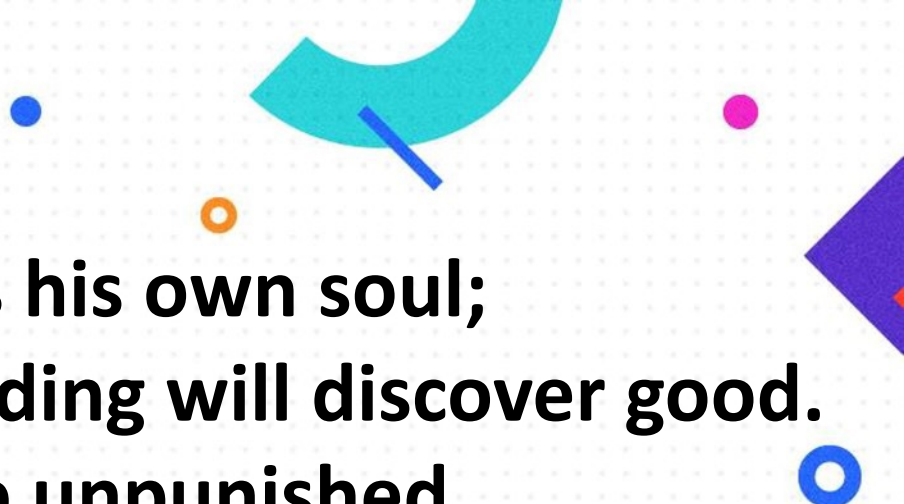
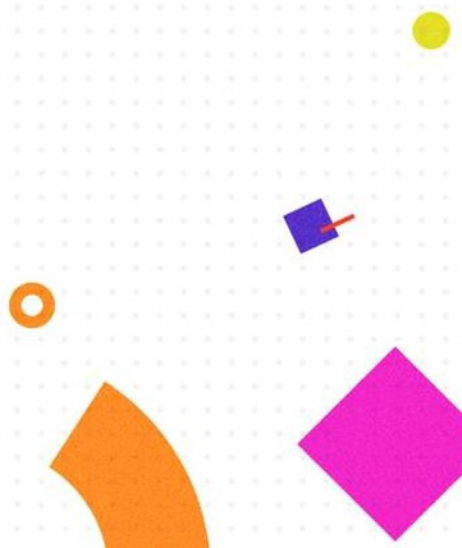
**²³ The poor use entreaties,
but the rich answer roughly.**



**²⁴ A man of many companions may come to ruin,
but there is a friend who sticks closer than a
brother.**



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- ¹ Better is a poor person who walks in his integrity
than one who is crooked in speech and is a fool.**
- ² Desire without knowledge is not good,
and whoever makes haste with his feet misses his
way.**
- ³ When a man's folly brings his way to ruin,
his heart rages against the LORD. ...**
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- ⁴ Wealth brings many new friends,
but a poor man is deserted by his friend.**
- ⁵ A false witness will not go unpunished,
and he who breathes out lies will not escape.**
- ⁶ Many seek the favor of a generous man,
and everyone is a friend to a man who gives gifts.**
- ⁷ All a poor man's brothers hate him;
how much more do his friends go far from him!
He pursues them with words, but does not have
them.**
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- ⁸ Whoever gets sense loves his own soul;
he who keeps understanding will discover good.**
- ⁹ A false witness will not go unpunished,
and he who breathes out lies will perish.**
- ¹⁰ It is not fitting for a fool to live in luxury,
much less for a slave to rule over princes. ...**
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- 11 Good sense makes one slow to anger,
and it is his glory to overlook an offense.**
- 12 A king's wrath is like the growling of a lion,
but his favor is like dew on the grass.**
- 13 A foolish son is ruin to his father,
and a wife's quarreling is a continual dripping of
rain.**
- 14 House and wealth are inherited from fathers,
but a prudent wife is from the LORD.**
- 15 Slothfulness casts into a deep sleep,
and an idle person will suffer hunger.**
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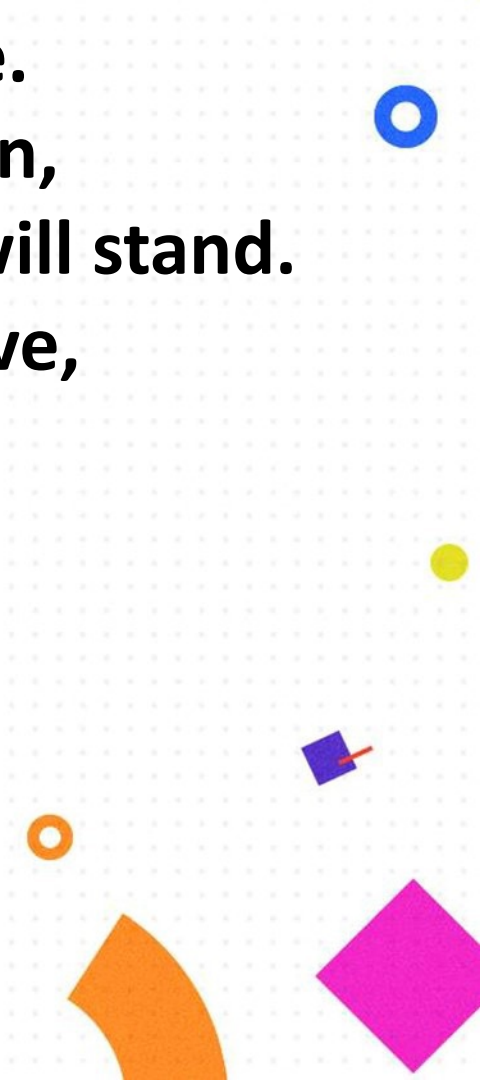
**¹⁶ Whoever keeps the commandment keeps his life;
he who despises his ways will die.**

**¹⁷ Whoever is generous to the poor lends to
the LORD,
and he will repay him for his deed.**

**¹⁸ Discipline your son, for there is hope;
do not set your heart on putting him to death.**

**¹⁹ A man of great wrath will pay the penalty,
for if you deliver him, you will only have to do it
again. ...**



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- ²⁰ Listen to advice and accept instruction,
that you may gain wisdom in the future.**
- ²¹ Many are the plans in the mind of a man,
but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.**
- ²² What is desired in a man is steadfast love,
and a poor man is better than a liar.**
- ²³ The fear of the LORD leads to life,
and whoever has it rests satisfied;
he will not be visited by harm.**
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During this time of reflection:

**Is there a relationship in
your life where you need to
begin doing things God's
way?**

