

Guidance for Graduates

Proverbs 3

Challenges for the graduates:

- Remember the Word of God. (vv. 1-2)
Reward – A longer and more satisfying life. (John 10:10)
- Always be kind and loyal. (vv. 3-4)
Reward – Better relations with God and man. (Gal. 6:7-10, Matt. 5:1-12)
- Always trust and seek the Lord. (vv. 5-6)
Reward – You'll find the correct path to take. (Rom. 2:6-8)
- Respect God and shun evil. (vv. 7-8)
Reward – Your days on earth will be healthier.
- Honor God with your wealth. (vv. 9-10)
Reward – You will be blessed by God.
- Don't reject the Lord's discipline. (vv. 11-12)
Reward – It's a reminder God loves you.

Reasons for following God's wisdom: (vv. 13-20)

- It will provide joy.
- Its benefits are wonderful.
- It's comparable to nothing.
- It enriches your life.
- Its ways are satisfying.
- It provides security.
- It is the way of the Lord.
- Hang on to common sense and discernment. (vv. 21-26)
Reward – They will comfort you and keep you safe.
- Treat people well. (vv. 27-32)
 - Help those in need.
 - Do no harm to others.
 - Don't envy or copy the evil ways of others.
Reward – We have a friendship with God.

Points to Ponder:

- Forget not the Word of God, it is the Bread of Life!
- Forget not your family, they were your cradle to life!
- Forget not the people of God, they are your encouragers in life!
- Forget not the house of God, it provides instruction for your life!