

Fathers are people of influence.

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"A father's influence derives more from his character than his success. Children often rebel against the career preferences of a successful but negligent father, while a proud but impoverished peddler's dedication and sacrifice can serve as his children's career inspiration."

—DR. MARTIN FINE

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"Winning isn't everything, it is the only thing." —VINCE LOMBARDI

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"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom." —PROVERBS 4:7a

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Take God and His Word Seriously

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The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction. —PROVERBS 1:7

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"It is the religious practice of the father of the family that, above all, determines the future attendance at or absence from church of the children."

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PROVERBS 23:15-18

My son, if your heart is wise, my heart will rejoice—indeed I, myself; yes, my inmost being will rejoice when your lips speak right things. Do not let your heart envy sinners, but [in the fear of the Lord continue all day long]; for surely there is a hereafter, and your hope will not be cut off.

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PROVERBS 2:11-12a

Discretion will preserve you;
understanding will keep you,
to deliver you from the way of evil ...

Make Wise Choices Daily

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PROVERBS 3:27

Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in the power of your hand to do so.

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In Your Attitudes

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PROVERBS 4:23-24

Keep your heart with all diligence, for
out of it spring the issues of life.
Put away from you a deceitful mouth,
and put perverse lips far from you.

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With Your Money

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"Money is in some respects like a fire;
it is a very excellent servant,
but a terrible master."

—P.T. BARNUM

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PROVERBS 3:9-10

Honor the LORD with your possessions,
and with the firstfruits of all your
increase; so your barns will be filled with
plenty, and your vats will overflow with
new wine.

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In Your Marriage

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PROVERBS 5:7-9

Therefore hear me now, my children,
and do not depart from the words of my
mouth. Remove your way far from her,
and do not go hear the door of her house,
lest you give your honor to others, and
your years to the cruel one...

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PROVERBS 6:32-33

Whoever commits adultery with a woman lacks understanding; he who does so destroys his own soul. Wounds and dishonor he will get, and his reproach will not be wiped away.

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PROVERBS 5:15, 18

Drink water from your own cistern,
and running water from your own well.
Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice
with the wife of your youth.

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With Your Words

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PROVERBS 10:19

In the multitude of words sin is not
lacking, but he who restrains his lips
is wise.

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PROVERBS 15:1-2

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a
harsh word stirs up anger. The tongue of
the wise uses knowledge rightly, but the
mouth of fools pours forth foolishness.

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In Your Friendships

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PROVERBS 13:20

He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed.

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Do not be deceived: "Evil company corrupts good habits." I CORINTHIANS 15:33

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In Your Choices

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PROVERBS 20:1

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.

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Temptation is not only an opportunity to do the wrong thing; it is an opportunity to do the right thing.

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PROVERBS 23:29-32

Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has contentions? Who has complaints? Who has wounds without cause? Who has redness of eyes? Those who linger long at the wine, those who go in search of mixed wine.

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PROVERBS 23:29-32

Do not look on the wine when it is red,
when it sparkles in the cup, when it swirls
around smoothly; at the last it bites like
a serpent, and stings like a viper.

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Live to Leave a Legacy

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A good name is to be chosen rather than
great riches, loving favor rather than
silver and gold. —PROVERBS 22:1

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"Many compromise character and
convictions to get what the world offers."

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PROVERBS 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways acknowledge Him,
and He shall direct your paths.

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ACTS 16:31

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and
you will be saved, you and your
household."

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