

# Proverbs for Life – AK 05

## COMMENTER'S GUIDE

### WRITE IT OUT!

(ON SCANNABLE SINGLE PAGE ANSWER SHEETS ONLY)

These 2 additional questions, not found in the exam booklet are designed to make the student dig into the Biblical text and show they understand the Biblical principles studied throughout the course.

#### **Questions 1 – What are 4 of the ways that a person can tell that they are a lover of righteousness (ch. 7)?**

##### **1 - POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

The course list 7 questions to ask to determine if you are a lover of righteousness:

- 1) Do I seek to walk each day in the way of goodness and in the paths of righteousness?
- 2) Can it be said of me that all the words of my mouth are righteous and nothing perverse or evil comes out of it?
- 3) Can it be said of me that I am honest, I tell the truth and do not lie?
- 4) Can it be said of me that I sow righteousness? That I seek opportunities to do good?
- 5) Do I “justify the wicked” or “condemn the righteous”? Do I enjoy when someone innocent is punished or when the guilty get away with evil?
- 6) Can it be said of me that I hate the way of the wicked and love those who walk in righteousness?
- 7) Can it be said of me that I'd rather be poor and righteous than rich and wicked? Am I generous or greedy?

##### **1 - HELPFUL COMMENTS**

**These questions are helpful for us to search our heart and identify areas that need improvement or confession.**

##### **1 - VERSES**

Ps. 139:23

#### **Questions 2 – There are several Proverbs on pride listed in ch. 10, select one that is meaningful to you and comment on it.**

##### **2 - POSSIBLE ANSWERS**

Because this answer will vary from student to student, I will list the passages from Proverbs that are in chapter 10:

- Proverbs 21:4 *Haughty eyes and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, are sin*
- Proverbs 11:2 *When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom.*
- Proverbs 13:10 *By insolence comes nothing but strife, but with those who take advice is wisdom*
- Proverbs 14:3 *Wealth gained hastily will dwindle, but whoever gathers little by little will increase it.*
- Proverbs 16:5 *Everyone who is arrogant in heart is an abomination to the Lord; be assured, he will not go unpunished.*
- Proverbs 16:18-19 *Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.*
- Proverbs 18:12 *Before destruction a man's heart is haughty, but humility comes before honor.*
- Proverbs 21:24 *Scoffer is the name of the arrogant, haughty man who acts with arrogant pride.*
- Proverbs 22:4 *The reward for humility and fear of the Lord is riches and honor and life.*
- Proverbs 29:23 *One's pride will bring him low, but he who is lowly in spirit will obtain honor.*

- Proverbs 3:34 *Toward the scorners he is scornful, but to the humble he gives favor.*
- Proverbs 15:33 *The fear of the Lord is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor.*
- Proverbs 25:27 *It is not good to eat much honey, nor is it glorious to seek one's own glory.*
- Proverbs 27:2 *Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; a stranger, and not your own lips.*

## 2 - HELPFUL COMMENTS

## 2 - VERSES

Matt. 23:12

### WHAT DO YOU SAY?

These questions are designed to help the student express their thoughts, feelings, and opinions about something they have learned from the chapter.

#### **EXAM 1 – Ray’s Christian life was hindered because he was fearful of others, even Christians. In what ways is your Christian life affected by the fear of others?**

#### 1 - COMMENTS

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#### 1 - VERSES

- [Matt. 10:28](#) Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.
- [Prov. 29:25](#) The fear of man brings a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord shall be safe.
- [2 Tim. 1:7](#) God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind
- [1 John 4:18](#) There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

#### **EXAM 2 – In the story on pages 19 and 20, Adam’s life showed he trusted God. Name several things in this story that impressed you the most.**

#### 2 - COMMENTS

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#### 2 - VERSES

- [Ps. 23:3](#) He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake.
- [Jer. 29:11](#) I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

- [Prov. 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.
- [Eph. 6:18](#) Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to.

**EXAM 3 – Edward used the principles in this chapter to develop many strong friendships. What impressed you about his life? How can you use some of these principles in your life to develop more friendships?**

**3 - COMMENTS**

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**3 - VERSES**

- [John 15:14](#) You are Christ's friend if you obey.
- [Ps. 1:1-6](#) Godly friends brings happiness, avoid ungodly men.
- [Prov. 13:20](#) He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed.
- [1 Cor. 15:33](#) Do not be deceived: evil company corrupts good habits.
- [Rom. 12:21](#) Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**EXAM 4 – Considering the story of Tim, how has the book of Proverbs changed your view of success?**

**4 - COMMENTS**

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**4 - VERSES**

- [Matt. 6:19-21](#) Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth.
- [Prov. 10:22](#) The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.
- [Phil. 2:13-14](#) It is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. Do all things without complaining and disputing.
- [Col. 3:17](#) Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.
- [James 1:21-25](#) Be doers of the word, and not hearers only.
- [1 Tim. 6:17-19](#) Do not trust in worldly riches.

**EXAM 5 – What lessons from the lives of Ron and Vernon can you apply to your own life?**

**5 - COMMENTS**

- Reference or give to the student the Captive's Corner Freedom From Sin's Bondage

**5 - VERSES**

- [Prov. 31:10-31](#) Portrait of a virtuous women.
- [2 Cor. 6:14-16](#) Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers.
- [Matt. 5:28](#) I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

- [Rom. 13:14](#) Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.
- [1 Cor. 6:18](#) Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.
- [1 Thess. 4:1-5](#) You should abstain from sexual immorality
- [1 Cor. 7:2](#) Nevertheless, because of sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband. (Because God has established marriage).
- [Heb. 13:4-5](#) Fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

**EXAM 6 – Jay discovered in prison his need to form a relationship with his sons. How has the book of Proverbs helped you in your relationship with your children or with your parents?**

**6 - COMMENTS**

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**6 - VERSES**

- [Ex. 20:12](#) Honor your father and your mother.
- [Prov. 29:15](#) A child left to himself brings shame to his mother.
- [Prov. 22:6](#) Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.
- [Josh. 24:15](#) As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.
- [Lev. 19:3](#) Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father.
- [Prov. 1:8](#) My son, hear the instruction of your father, and do not forsake the law of your mother.

**EXAM 7 – Compare your life with the life of Lester. In what ways are you similar and in what ways are you different?**

**7 - COMMENTS**

- Reference or give to the student the Captive's Corner Complete in Christ

**7 - VERSES**

- [1 John 3:4-10](#) He who practices righteousness is righteous. Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God.
- [Rom. 5:1](#) Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- [Phil. 3:9](#) Not having my own righteousness, ... but that which is through faith in Christ.
- [Prov. 10:30](#) The righteous will never be removed, but the wicked will not inhabit the earth.
- [Prov. 11:19](#) As righteousness leads to life, so he who pursues evil pursues it to his own death.

**EXAM 8 – Jimmy grew up around lots of anger and violence. How did he deal with his**

**anger? In what ways have you dealt with your anger?**

**8 - COMMENTS**

- Reference or give to the student the Captive's Corner Anger

**8 - VERSES**

- [Prov. 14:16](#) A wise man fears and departs from evil.
- [Prov. 15:1](#) A soft answer turns away wrath.
- [Prov. 16:32](#) He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty.
- [Rom. 15:5](#) May the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another.
- [Eph. 4:26-29](#) Be angry, and do not sin, do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil.
- [Col. 4:6](#) Let your speech always be with grace.

**EXAM 9 – The story of Rex illustrates a Christian man who unwisely wrote or said the wrong thing. Describe how God is helping you to be wise in your speech.**

**9 - COMMENTS**

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**9 - VERSES**

- [Prov. 25:11](#) A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.
- [Prov. 18:13](#) He who answers a matter before he hears it, it is folly and shame to him.
- [Prov. 13:3](#) He who guards his mouth preserves his life, but he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction.
- [Matt. 12:34](#) Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.
- [Prov. 15:1](#) A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.
- [Prov. 15:28](#) The heart of the righteous studies how to answer, but the mouth of the wicked pours forth evil.
- [Eph. 4:29](#) Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.
- [Phil. 2:14](#) Do all things without complaining and disputing.

**EXAM 10 – How did you do in the Pride-Humility test? To what extent is your life like that of Drew?**

**10 - COMMENTS**

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**10 - VERSES**

- [James 4:10](#) Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.
- [1 Peter 5:6](#) Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.
- [Prov. 16:18](#) Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.
- [Prov. 29:23](#) A man's pride will bring him low, but the humble in spirit will retain honor.

- [Prov. 15:33](#) The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom, and before honor is humility.

**EXAM 11 – Raul was a liar, a man who practiced deceit, yet he was very religious. In what ways do you want to be different than Raul?**

**11 - COMMENTS**

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**11 - VERSES**

- [Prov. 12:22](#) Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who deal truthfully are His delight.
- [Prov. 13:5](#) A righteous man hates lying.
- [Prov. 3:3-4](#) Let not mercy and truth forsake you.
- [Rom. 1:16-17](#) I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes.
- [John 8:44](#) The devil ... he was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. He is a liar and the father of it.

**EXAM 12 – Delbert found it hard to adjust to the negativity of prison. How have you used the principles in this course to improve your situation?**

**12 - COMMENTS**

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**12 - VERSES**

- [Prov. 4:23](#) Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.
- [Rom. 8:37-38](#) In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.
- [Rom. 12:21](#) Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.
- [John 16:33](#) In Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.
- [Rom. 12:1-2](#) Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.
- [Phil. 4:4](#) Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice.
- [Phil. 4:10-13](#) I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.