

GOD'S TOP TEN



The month of May brings several forms of honor before us. At graduation ceremonies, many will be honored for academic and athletic accomplishments. Awards, scholarships, ribbons and plaques are presented recognizing these great achievements. We honor our Moms in the month of May with "Mother's Day." The month ends with "Memorial Day," where we honor the brave soldiers who gave their lives in combat. Memorial Day is also called "Decoration Day" where families put flowers upon the graves of their loved ones.

As we continue our walk through Proverbs, focusing upon a "Lifestyle of Honor," we look at what is important to God. One cannot honor God without having a heart that wants to please Him. In this study we consider "God's Top Ten List" from the book of Proverbs.

1 Love is Better



15:17 Better is a _____ of
_____ where
_____ is, than a fattened ox
served with _____.

- What are some applications of this passage?
- Why does the fancy so often
blind us to the

2 Integrity is Better

19:1 Better is a poor man who _____ in his integrity
than he who is _____ in speech and is a
_____.

19:22b And it is better to be a poor man than a _____

- What is integrity?
- Why do people tell lies?

3 Better is a Good Name

22:1 A good name is to be more desired than _____
_____, favor is better than silver and gold.

- How does a person get a good name?
- Is it possible to restore a good name once it has been destroyed?



4 **Wisdom is Better**

3:14 for her profit is _____ than the profit of _____, and her gain than fine _____

8:11 For wisdom is better than _____; and all _____ things cannot compare with her.

- What is the PROFIT of wisdom?
- How is it better than silver and gold?

6 **Better is the Fear of the Lord**

15:16 Better is a _____ with the fear of the Lord, than great _____ and turmoil with it.

31:30 _____ is deceitful and beauty is _____, but a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be _____

- How is beauty and charm deceitful?
- What does fear of the Lord mean?

8 **Better to be under Control**

16:32 He who is _____ to anger is better than the mighty, and he who _____ his _____, than he who captures a city."



- 27:4 states that "anger is a flood." How?
- What should a Christian do when he is really mad?

10 **Better is Rebuke**

27:5 Better is _____ rebuke than love that is concealed.

27:6 Faithful are the _____ of a friend, but deceitful are the _____ of an enemy.

- What is rebuke?

5 **Better is a Friend**



17:17 A friend _____ at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

18:24 A man of many friends comes to ruin, but there is a _____ who sticks _____ than a brother.

- What is the danger of having too many friends?
- How are friends different from siblings?

7 **Better to be Humble**

16:19 It is better to be humble in spirit with the _____, than to divide the spoil _____ with the _____

- What is meant by "lowly?"
- Define the qualities of humbleness.

9 **Better is a Quiet Spirit**

17:1 Better is a dry morsel and _____ with it

than a house full of feasting with _____

21:9 It is better to live in a corner of a _____, than in a house shared with a _____ woman.

21:19 It is better to live in a _____ land, than with a _____ and _____ woman.

- Why is a woman the source of nagging in these passages?
- Does a quiet spirit mean you always give in?

