



Sermon Discussion Questions

Wise Leadership: How (and How Not) to Use Power and Gain Wealth (Proverbs 28)

Proverbs: The Wisdom of God as a Way of Life

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Sermon Overview

Main Idea

Leadership responsibility brings with it an element of stewardship, influence, and power. A leader's character determines whether he or she will use the power of leadership selfishly or for the good of others. Proverbs 28 instructs how leaders are to gain and use the character needed to be leaders who appropriately use power and influence.

Sermon Outline

1. Wisdom for Using Power
2. Wisdom for Gaining Wealth
3. The Grace We Need to Lead and Give

Quotation

"Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." John Adams

"A just law is a man-made code that squares with the moral law of the law of God. An unjust law is a code that is out of harmony with the moral law." Martin Luther King, Jr.

Discussion Questions

Initial Engagement

- What is the main idea of the text, or on what did the sermon focus?

Deeper Reflection

1. Drew started with the question, "What comes to mind when you think of the rich and powerful?" How would you answer that question? What examples come to mind and how do they fit your response.
2. Using the premise that one's character determines how power, wealth, and influence will be used by a leader, describe some possible attributes of leaders. What outcomes would you see and experience under leaders with these various attributes?
3. We all desire stability and security in our nation, in our marriages and family, in our workplace, and in our church. Why do these areas of life fall short of our desired stability? What drives stability and security in each?
4. What do you think Martin Luther King, Jr. meant by his quote above? What examples come to mind of laws that 'square with the moral law of the law of God'? Examples of those that don't? As those living under authoritative law, how are we to respond to those that don't align to God's moral law?

Final Response

- What is one thing you want to remember or one way you hope to change in light of this sermon or discussion?