

Having A Basic Understanding of Some Old Testament Truths

Part 154 – Separated Man Seeking Own Desires Through Humility (Proverbs 18:1-12)

Proverbs 18:1 is not very clear. Thus, consider the following texts before we study the verse.

- ⇒ NKJV renders this verse like this: “A man who isolates himself seeks his own desire; He rages against all wise judgment.”
- ⇒ ASV 1901 renders this verse like this: “He that separateth himself seeketh his own desire, And rageth against all sound wisdom.”
- ⇒ When you examine the word translated “intermeddleth” in the KJV (Strong’s # 1566), you find the Hebrew word used in two other verses (Proverbs 17:14 and Proverbs 20:3). When looking at both of the verses that use the same Hebrew term, you find this type of meddling is not good.

To our question...

1. Are there some people who separate themselves to make unwise decisions?

2. Is a fool happy if he or she gains an understanding?

3. Do wicked people bring good with them?

4. What is compared to deep waters and what is compared to a flowing brook?

5. Is it good when people accept the person of the wicked and overthrow the righteous in judgment?

6. Do the words of fools promote good things?

7. Do talebearers [slanderers] cause harm to others?

8. Is a slothful person similar to a great waster?

9. What, in our current context, is a strong tower?

10. What is the rich man's strong city?

11. Do you want to be haughty or humble?