

Having A Basic Understanding of Some Old Testament Truths

Part 176 – Confidence In The Unfaithful Through Ruling Own Spirit (Proverbs 25:19-28)

1. Is it good to depend on an unfaithful man?

2. Is it good to bring songs to a person of a heavy heart (is joyous activity fit for times that cause heavy hearts)?

3. How should we treat our enemies when they are desperately in need?

4. If we help our enemies in times of desperate need, what result often occurs?

5. For Proverbs 25:23, please consider the following points and then we'll have our question...
 - The KJV reads like this: *"The north wind driveth away rain: so doth an angry countenance a backbiting tongue"*. That wording seems to be saying that anger drives away backbiting tongues. However, we know that this doesn't make sense as anger leads to more problems (Proverbs 15:1; 18). The wording in the KJV is too unclear.
 - A Hebrew word study (Strong's # 2342) of the word translated in the KJV as "driveth away" shows this can also mean: "formed" (Deuteronomy 32:18 and Job 26:5) or "brought forth" (Proverbs 8:24). This makes sense as wind brings forth rain just as an angry countenance can bring forth backbiting.
 - The NKJV says: "The north wind brings forth rain, And a backbiting tongue an angry countenance." The ASV 1901 says: "The north wind bringeth forth rain: So doth a backbiting tongue an angry countenance."

Our question: Is there any relationship between anger and backbiting?

6. Is a wide house big enough to find peace when there is a brawling woman inside that house?

7. Is good news refreshing?

8. Is it good to see the righteous falling down before the wicked?

9. Can you eat too much honey?

10. Is it good to glorify yourself?

11. Are you spiritually fit if you have no self-control?