

SCC MEN'S SATURDAY AM BIBLE STUDY

November 1, 2025 7:30 AM – Proverbs 12

Proverbs 12 is marked by its sharp contrasts between righteousness and wickedness, emphasizing the enduring value of wisdom, integrity, and disciplined living. It opens with a bold declaration that loving discipline is a mark of wisdom, while rejecting correction is foolishness. Throughout the chapter, Solomon contrasts the stability of the righteous with the transience of the wicked, whose plans and words are deceitful and destructive. It sketches a portrait of the kind of person who thrives under God's favor and builds a life that cannot be shaken.

What's There? - Searching the Scriptures

- A. What does verse 1 teach about the connection between loving discipline and gaining knowledge? How does the use of the word “stupid” shape the tone and urgency of the message?

- B. Compare the speech of the wicked (verse 6) and the righteous (verse 18). What imagery is used, and how does it reflect the impact of words?

- C. What does verse 10 reveal about the character of the righteous in relation to animals? How might this reflect the themes of responsibility or compassion?

- D. How have you experienced being “filled with good” (verse 14) from the fruit of your words or actions?

- E. What does it mean to “ignore an insult”? (verse 16) How can this be practiced in emotionally charged situations?
- F. What do verses 24 & 27 teach about diligence and laziness? How do they challenge or affirm your current work habits?
- G. What does “In the path of righteousness there is life” (verse 28) mean to you in practical terms?

So What & What Now? - Applying the Scriptures

How do you respond to correction or discipline? What helps you receive it with humility, and what barriers make it difficult?

In what ways do your words bringing healing or harm (verse 18)? How might you grow in using speech that “brings healing”?

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