

INTRODUCTION

- * In our study of the book of Proverbs, we have transitioned into more of a "Topical Approach" in considering the Pearls of Wisdom.
- * Two weeks ago, we considered the call for us to bind "mercy and truth" about our necks. In that message, we considered that the Hebrew words used were: khesed and emet, and that combined they referred to a trustworthiness - faithful and true. Additionally, this combined quality was applied to YHWH Himself, is what Jesus (YHWH Incarnate) would be referred to as at His return, and is the attribute that will be applied to those who serve the Lord faithfully!
- * Today, we will continue in Proverbs 3 ... where we see that the next command is actually an extension of binding khesed and emet around our necks. If we embrace the khesed and emet of YHWH then we naturally will trust in YHWH! This, then, will lead to affecting the way we think and act in our decision making process.

INSTRUCTION**I. THE C _____ (cf. Proverbs 22:17-19)****A. Batakh (בָּטַח) - to rely upon or have confidence in ; to have a sense of security and safety (used 120x);**

- * cf. Deuteronomy 28:52; Judges 9:26; 18:7,10,27; Psalm 62:5-8; Isaiah 26:3,4; 2 Kings 18-19
- * cf. Proverbs 3:6; 11:15, 28; 14:16; 16:20; 28:1, 25-26; 29:25; 31:11
- * cf. Matthew 27:43; Mark 10:24; Luke 11:22; 18:9; Romans 2:19; 15:14; 2 Corinthians 1:15; 3:4; 5:6; 5:8; 8:22; 9:4; 10:2; Ephesians 3:12; **Philippians 1:6**, 25; 2:24; 3:3,4; 2 Thessalonians 3:4; 1 Timothy 6:17; Philemon 1:21; **Hebrews 3:6**; 6:9; 10:35; 1 John 5:14

B. M-batakh (מִבְּטַח) - with batakh; confidence (used 15x)

- * cf. Proverbs 14:26; 21:22; 22:17-19; 25:19
- * cf. Galatians 5:10

II. THE C _____ (cf. Psalm 37:1-9)**A. We ARE to Trust In _____ (cf. Deuteronomy 6:5; Matthew 22:36-37; Romans 10:9-10)**

1. K _____ HIM IN ALL OUR WAYS (v. 6)
2. F _____ HIM BY DEPARTING FROM EVIL (v. 7)

B. We ARE NOT to Trust In _____ (cf. Psalm 20:7)

1. THIS REQUIRES _____ (v. 7)
 - * cf. Proverbs 26:4-5, 12,16; 28:11; Isaiah 5:21 (20-23); Romans 1:22; 11:25; 12:16
2. THIS REQUIRES _____

III. THE C _____ (cf. Jeremiah 17:5-8; Proverbs 28:25-26)**A. If We Trust in YHWH (cf. Proverbs 14:26; 16:20; 28:25; 29:25)****B. If We DO NOT Trust in Ourselves (cf. Proverbs 14:16; 28:26)**

2 KINGS 18-19
HEZEKIAH TRUSTS IN YHWH
In the face of the threats of Sennacherib

INTROSPECTION

- * WHO, OR WHAT, ARE YOU TRUSTING IN?
- * ARE YOU WISE IN YOUR OWN EYES?
- * TRUST IS LIKE FAITH ... IT'S EXISTENCE IS MADE KNOWN THROUGH THE ACTIONS OF THE PERSON WHO POSSESSES IT. WHAT DOES YOUR LIFE DECLARE?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * What are some of the practical ways that we reveal that we trust in YHWH, or that we do not trust in Him?
- * In what ways does it become apparent that we "know" God?