Growing in Wisdom

Introduction to Proverbs

Scholarly reference for some of the material covered in this message:

The Proverb: an interdisciplinary approach to a biblical genre

https://faculty.gordon.edu/hu/bi/ted_hildebrandt/otesources/20-proverbs/text/articles/hildebrandt-proverb-genre-2005.htm



Proverbs

New Living Translation (NLT)

- 1 These are the proverbs of Solomon, David's son, king of Israel.
- Their purpose is to teach people wisdom and discipline, to help them understand the insights of the wise.
- Their purpose is to teach people to live disciplined and successful lives, to help them do what is right, just, and fair.

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These proverbs will give insight to the simple, knowledge and discernment to the young.

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Let the wise listen to these proverbs and become even wiser.

Let those with understanding receive guidance

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by exploring the meaning in these proverbs and parables, the words of the wise and their riddles.

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Wisdom

the skill of living so that something of lasting value is produced from one's life

Discipline

the training that makes it possible to live productively

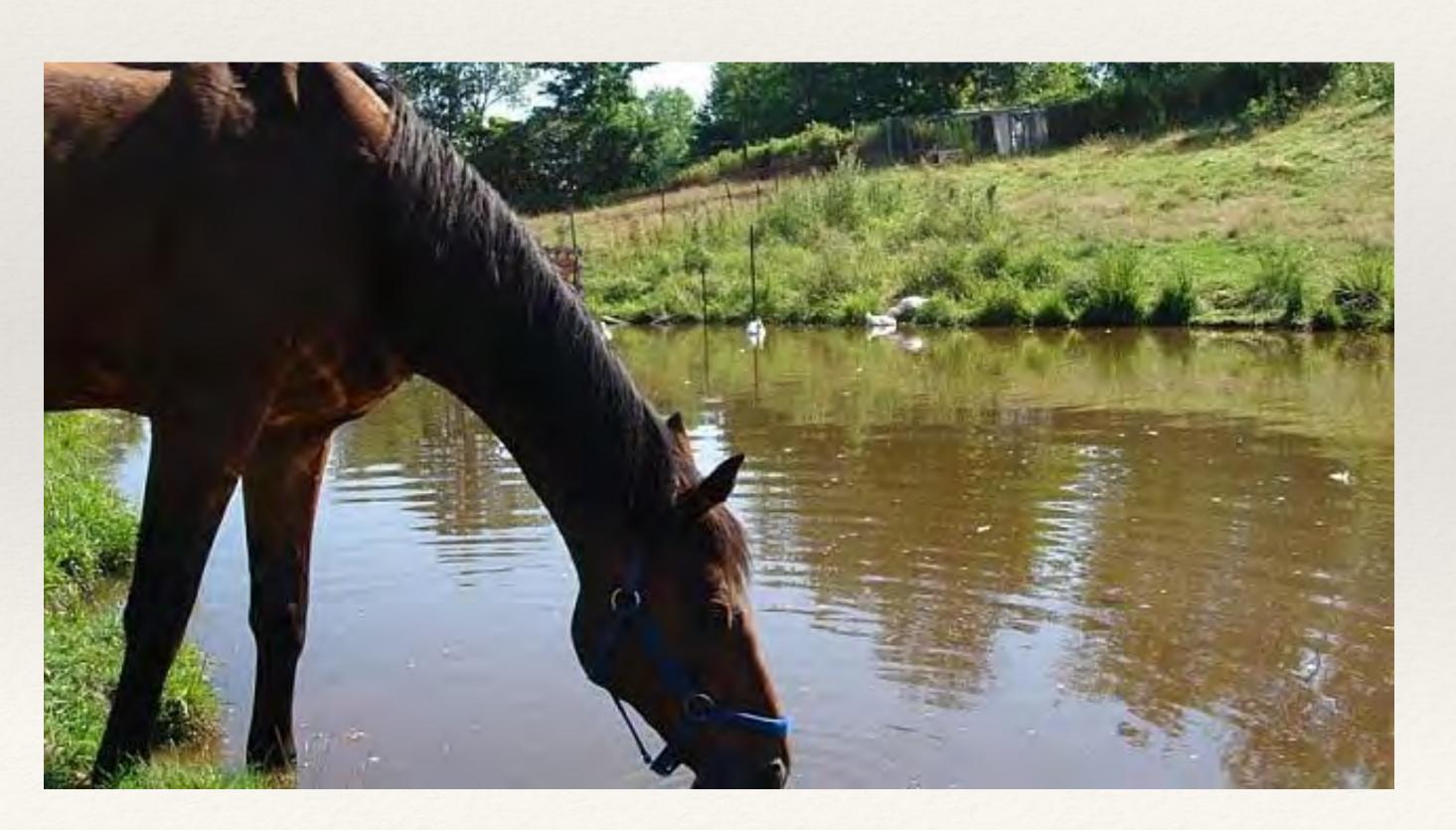


If you need wisdom, ask our generous God...

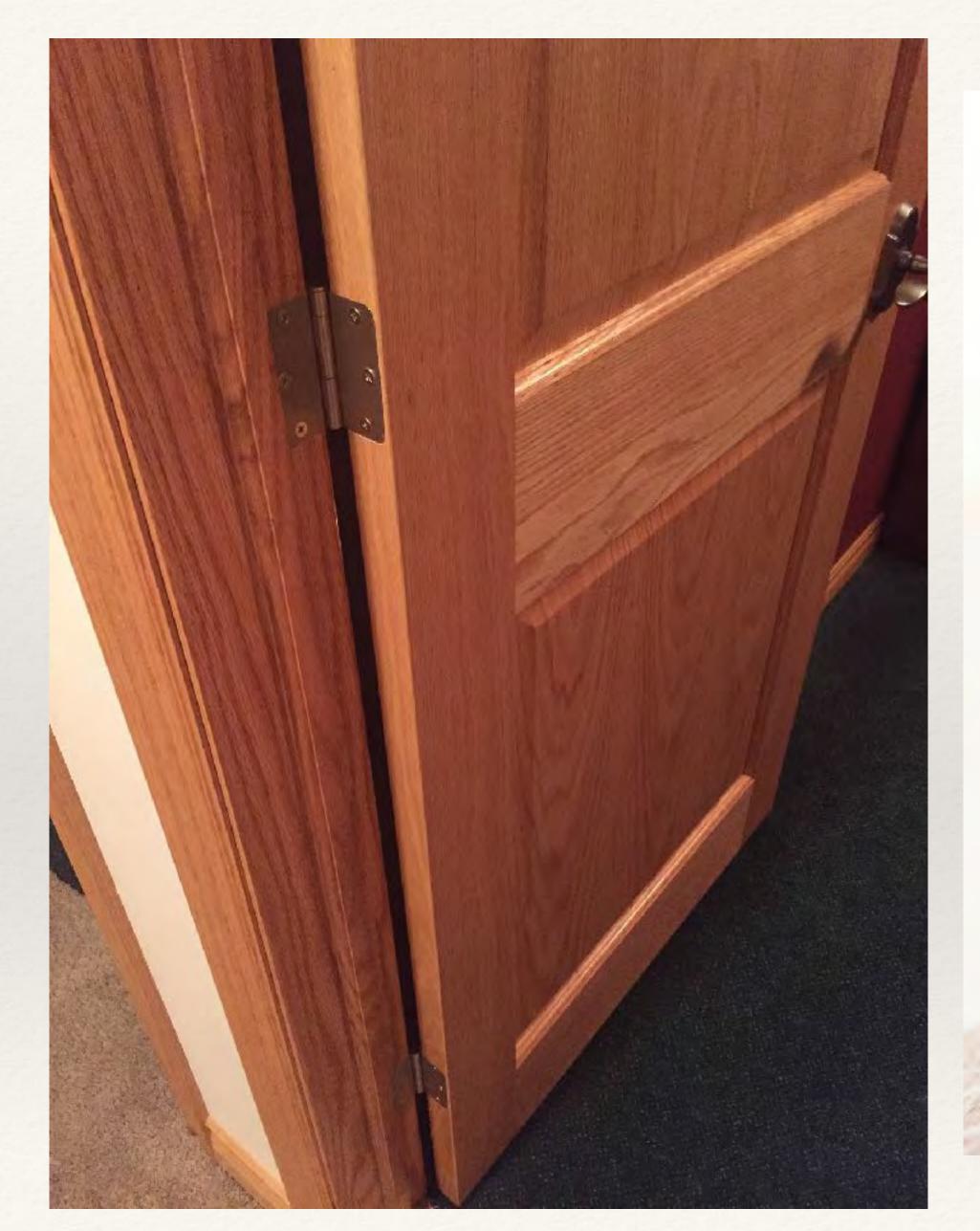
James 1:5













A trouble maker plants seeds of strife; gossip separates the best of friends. 16:28

Godly people find life; evil people find death.

11:19

When peoples lives please the Lord, even their enemies are at peace with them.

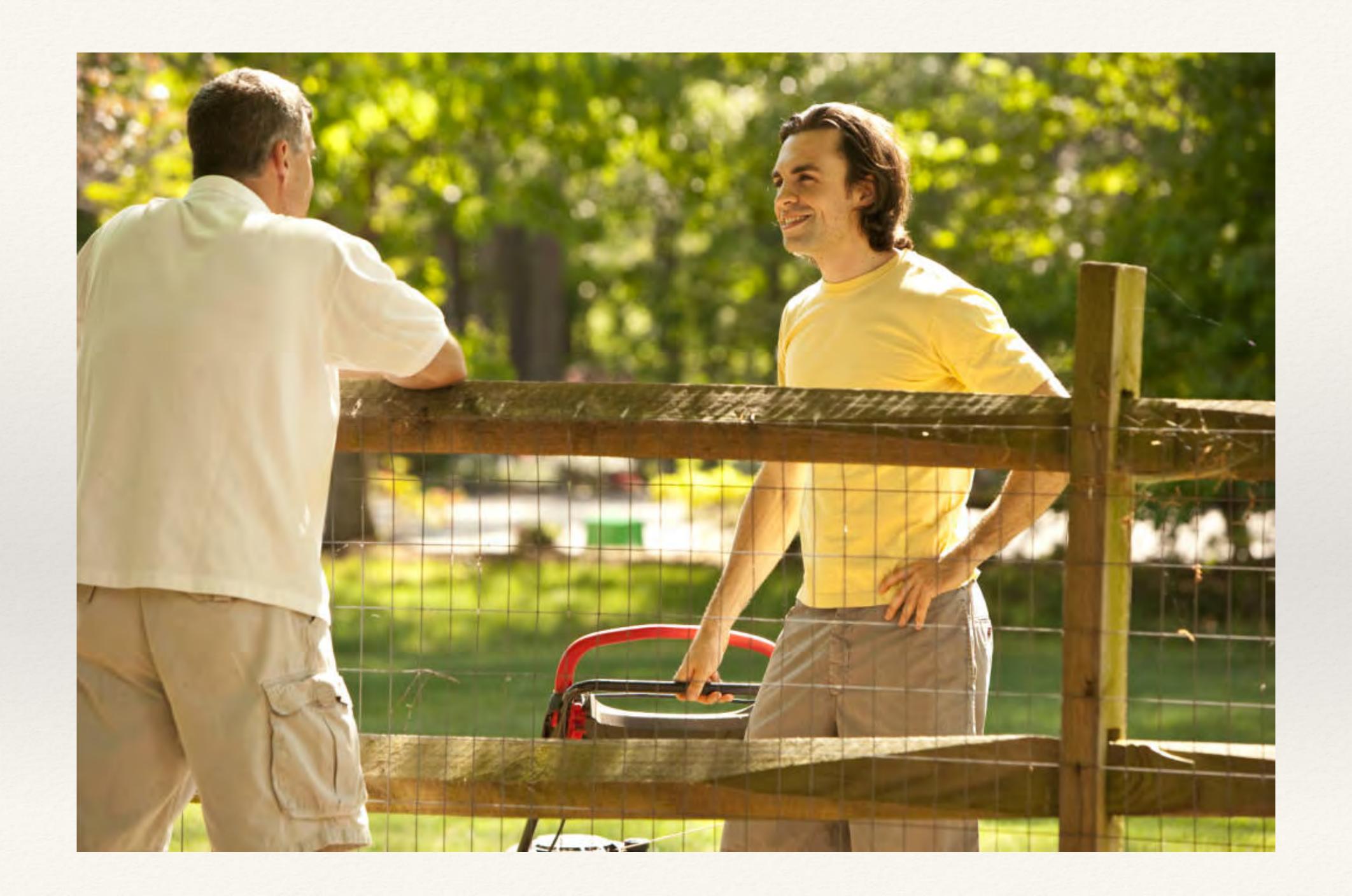
22:7

Hatred stirs up quarrels, but love makes up for all offences.

10:12

Hatred stirs up quarrels all offences made up for by love





Proverbs 1:7

Fear of the Lord is the foundation of true knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline.

