

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Pr 21:2 Every way of a man *is* right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

What results from being right in our own eyes?

1. It makes it hard to take correction
2. It can bring division with others
3. It creates pride
4. It makes us vulnerable to the devil's devices

Steps to correct

1. Be willing to change
2. Know that there is someone that is wiser than yourself.
3. Accept the Bible as the final authority in matters of life.

I trust you are aware that the Bible is God's counseling book and what is written about man is correct. For us as Bible believers we should be able to say Amen to that. Yet because of our fallen nature we are resistant to truth. Thank God after humbling ourselves for God's salvation; He can work in us that which would be right according to his word. Even if we go head strong in our own way, His spirit can summons us to give heed to the truth. He is longsuffering and desirous to work with us. The choice is still ours though.

I think you know we have a way about us that is independent. It is connected with the natural man. He must be reigned in or better yet reckoned dead – "go ye and learn what that meaneth." Ever hear a parent try to teach discipline to their child? One method also teaches them to count, "I'm going to count to five and you better stop it." What they want is to reign in their behavior. Wouldn't some kid freak out if the parent went real fast 1 to 5 and wham! No math lesson today – just immediate response. *Not needed if the parents started early with correction.*

Prov. 21b ...The Lord pondereth the hearts

Ps 44:21 Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

Jer 17:9 The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Jer 17:10 I the LORD search the heart, *I* try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, *and* according to the fruit of his doings.

Ps 139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

Is it ok if you let God search your heart? Is it ok if he brings out something that you feel is uncomfortable? Are you will to ask him;

"create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me."

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Pr 28:26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool:
but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

"What Saith the Holy Ghost"

Heb 3:7 Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice,
Heb 3:8 Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

- Today
- If Ye will
- Hear his voice
- Harden not your Hearts

Tonight at 5:00 **"OUR COMMON GROUND"**

Monday at 4:45 Hiawatha Care Center

Wed. at 5:30 Visitation

Wed. at 7:00 Bible study & Prayer

Missionary of the week: Bierman's – Germany

