

Priorities for Good Choices

<u>Verse</u>	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
Matthew 6:33	Kingdom of God	Necessities of life	Put God first; He'll do the rest
I Timothy 6:6	Godly and content	Gain or advancement	Worldly ambition is lethal
I Timothy 4:7-8	Exercise for godliness	Bodily exercise	Max profit is always spiritual
James 3:17	Pure heart with integrity	Peace and other fruit	Start with godly intentions
Proverbs 3:15; 4:7	Wisdom	Anything else	Wisdom is most important
Ephesians 5:4	Giving of thanks	Jesting, foolish talking	Use speech for godly things
Matthew 18:7-9	Maimed, but godly	Whole, but worldly	Cut off all sinful temptations
Ecclesiastes 4:13	Young, wise child	Old, foolish king	Accepting admonition is wise
I Samuel 15:22	Obedience to God	Sacrifices to God	Godliness trumps ceremony
Ecclesiastes 5:1-7	Hear God's instruction	Make vows to God	God is in heaven; hear Him
Psalms 69:30-32	Sing with thanksgiving	Ceremonial sacrifices	Spirit worship trumps ritual
Psalms 84:10	Day in God's house	1000 days anywhere	Worshipping God is ultimate
Psalms 118:8-9	Trust in LORD Jehovah	Trust men, even princes	Only God can truly help you
Psalms 19:10	God's word	Gold or honeycomb	Bible is precious and sweet
Job 23:12	God's word	Necessary food	Exalt systematic reading
Proverbs 16:32	Rule your anger / spirit	Take a city yourself	Ruling emotions is great man
Proverbs 19:11	Suffer others' offences	Get angry for revenge	Glory is overlooking others
I Corinth 12:31	Charity toward others	Great apostolic gifts	Love is bond of perfectness
Matthew 7:1-5	Criticize yourself	Criticize others	Let scripture perfect you first
Ecclesiastes 7:1-6	House of mourning	House of feasting	Sober reflection trumps fun
II Corinthians 5:8	Going to heaven	Staying in this life	Unseen is far better than seen
Psalms 37:16	A little by yourself	Riches with many	Righteousness trumps wealth
Prov 15:16; 16:8	Little with godliness	Lots with wickedness	Godliness trumps anything
Proverbs 16:19	Humble with the lowly	Rich with the proud	He loves humble, hates proud
Proverbs 22:1	A good name and favor	Riches of gold / silver	Reputation beats prosperity
Matthew 12:7	Mercy, even to self	Sacrifice, ritual worship	God loves mercy; believe it
Proverbs 19:23	Fear of the LORD	Pleasure and position	Fearing God is whole duty
Proverbs 30:7-9	Moderate wealth	Riches or poverty	Any extreme brings trouble
Genesis 2:18	Wife	Mother	A wife's priority is husband
Eccl 4:9-12	Two or more	One	Society is power four ways
Proverbs 12:4	Single man	Odious wife	Marriage can be very painful
Proverbs 31:30	Woman fearing God	Female favor or beauty	A godly woman is the best
Ephesians 6:2-3	Honoring parents	Nutrition, exercise, etc.	God's first rule with rewards
Colossians 3:1-2	Things above	Things down here	Set your affection on the best
Eccl 2:24; 3:22	Enjoy life and work	Wish for better things	Contentment is wise choice
Proverbs 25:6-7	Let others praise you	Put yourself forward	The humble will be promoted
Proverbs 27:5	Open rebuke	Secret love and kisses	Good friends will wound you
Proverbs 27:10	Godly friend nearby	Biological brother away	Character is big advantage
Ecclesiastes 7:8	Patient in spirit	Proud in spirit	God loves one and hates other
Ecclesiastes 7:8	End of a thing	Beginning of a thing	Any can start; who can finish
Ecclesiastes 9:4	Life with a little hope	Dead have no hope	Living dog trumps a dead lion
Ecclesiastes 10:10	Wisdom	Strength	Wit can leverage less strength
Proverbs 24:27	Establish your career	Build your house	Get income before expenses
Acts 20:35	Giving	Receive	Most don't get it; Jesus did it