

Wise People Head Correction: Proverbs 9:7-10

1) Different _____ of instruction.

a) T _____: Explaining a new skill or concept.

*How teachable are you?

b) A _____: Guidance or recommendations concerning wise future action.

*How often to seek advice from others? Who do you seek advice from?

c) R _____: Pointing out to someone their erroneous thoughts, conduct or beliefs.

2) Why are _____ & _____ so important?

a) We paint _____ that accentuate the flaws of people we are in conflict with.

b) We tend to _____ our own life. We view ourselves better and less sinful than we really are.

c) The choice between wisdom or folly is directly tied to our ability to _____ to correction and instruction.

3) Ways we often _____ correction.

a) We judge that the ones bringing correction are also _____ and therefore _____ what they say.

*How often do you fall into this trap? When do you ignore correction and rebuke by pointing out the flaws of others?

b) The correction isn't 100% _____ so we dismiss it instead of sifting through the inaccuracies to benefit from the nuggets of truth.

• How do you fall into this behavior? When do you ignore correction and rebuke by nitpicking on the details of what is being presented?

c) The way someone brought the correction, i.e., the process, wasn't to our _____. We didn't like their tone, manner, etc. and therefore the correction was ignored.

• How do you fall into this behavior? When do you ignore correction and rebuke because you find something wrong with the way it was presented?

4) How do I learn to grow in correction? _____ God.

a) At the cross, we affirm God's ultimate rebuke of us. We admit that we are _____ broken and sinful people.

b) When we accept this rebuke of God and the liberating grace that it brings, we are more _____ to accept the rebuke of others.

Quotes To Ponder:

"We must remember that sin is deceitful. Sin blinds - and guess who gets blinded first? Me! I have no trouble seeing the sins of my family, but I can be astonished when mine are pointed out!...My self-perception is as accurate as a carnival mirror." ---Paul David Tripp, *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands*

"Humility is honestly assessing ourselves in light of God's holiness and our sinfulness." --C.J. Mahaney

Recommended Resources:

- *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands: People in Need of Change Helping People in Need of Change* by Paul David Tripp
- There will also be a handout on Biblical Guidelines on giving criticism on the Welcome Table.