
Reactive Way Turnaround

Change Your Strategy

The badger needs to become an _____.

Eph. 6:6 Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men, because you know that the Lord will reward everyone for whatever good he does...

Prov. 29:11 A fool gives full vent to his anger, but a wise man keeps himself under control.

Prov. 15:1 A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Rom. 15:7 Accept one another just as Christ accepted you.

Proverbs 9:8 Do not reprove a scoffer or he will hate you. Reprove a wise man and he will love you.

Romans 14:19 Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.

Prov. 12:20 There is deceit in the hearts of those who plot evil, but joy for those who promote peace.

Proverbs 19:11 A man's wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense.

Verses for Life Groups: *Proverbs 14:8, 17; 15:1*

Key: Page 3: beaver. Page 4: ox.

Building a Better Way

Reversing Self-Defeating Strategies—part 3

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3 Root Problems:

- Folly
- Madness
- “Evil”

5 Self-Defeating Strategies

- * Easy Way
- * Fun Way
- * Predatory Way
- * Reactive Way
- * Glory Way

The Easy Way

Attitude:

Prov. 14:18 The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

Characteristics:

Prov. 19:15 Laziness brings on deep sleep, and the shiftless man goes hungry.

Key tools:

Proverbs 14:8 The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to their ways, but the folly of fools is deception.

Prov. 15:13 A mocker resents correction; he will not consult the wise.

Prov. 1:32 For the waywardness of the simple will kill them, and the complacency of fools will destroy them.

Prov. 26:16 The sluggard is wiser in his own eyes than seven men who answer discreetly.

The Reactive Way

Proverbs 27:3 Stone is heavy and sand a burden, but a fool's wrath is heavier than both.

Attitude:

Prov. 12:16 A fool shows his annoyance at once, but a prudent man overlooks an insult.

Characteristics:

Prov. 23:9 Do not speak to a fool, for he will scorn the wisdom of your words.

Major tools:

Prov. 29:9 If a man goes to court with a fool, the fool rages and scoffs, and there is no peace.

Prov. 17:12 Better to meet a bear robbed of her cubs than a fool in his folly.

Easy Way Turnaround

Change your strategy:

The possum needs to become a _____.

Prov. 12:15 The way of a fool seems right to him, but a wise man listens to advice.

Proverbs 13:13 He who scorns instruction will pay for it, but he who respects a command is rewarded.

Prov. 22:13 The sluggard says, "There is a lion outside!" or, "I will be murdered in the streets!"

Prov. 15:19 The way of a fool is blocked with thorns, but the path of the upright is a highway.

Prov. 12:11 He who works his land will have abundant food, but he who chases fantasies lacks judgment.

Prov. 21:5 The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty.
