

Life Hacks from Proverbs

- *Life Hack – a usually simple and clever tip or technique for accomplishing some familiar task more easily and efficiently. Impact Definition – Simple ways to win in this thing called life.*
- **QUOTE:** *If we choose to govern our lives by God’s wisdom instead of the world’s wisdom, we will get God’s results instead of the world’s results.*
- *Wisdom – insight into the underlying significance and consequences of our actions, which enables us to make better life choices.*

Wisdom comes from 2 sources:

1. Trial & Error – **personal** experience
2. Counsel from others – **proven** experience.

Week #2 – Stranger Danger

Proverbs 2:16 – 19 (NLT) *Wisdom will save you from the immoral woman, from the seductive words of the promiscuous woman. 17 She has abandoned her husband and ignores the covenant she made before God. 18 Entering her house leads to death; it is the road to the grave. 19 The man who visits her is doomed. He will never reach the **PATHS OF LIFE**.*

- The Bible has MANY warnings regarding relationships.
- I Corinthians 6:18 (KJV) – “Flee Fornication...”
- *Fornication (Gr. Porneia) – inappropriate sexual activity; refers to ALL sexual activity outside of a God-ordained marital union and includes adultery, homosexuality, lesbianism, pedophilia, bestiality, incest, and any other sexual contact that is not between a married husband & wife.*
- **Proverbs 5:3 – 5 (NLT)** *For the lips of an immoral woman are as sweet as honey, and her mouth is smoother than oil. 4 But in the end she is as bitter as poison, as dangerous as a double-edged sword. 5 Her feet go down to DEATH; her steps lead straight to the GRAVE. 6 For she cares nothing about the **PATH TO LIFE**. She staggers down a crooked trail and doesn’t realize it.*
- **Proverbs 7:6 – 27 (NKJV)**

Dangers of the Strange Woman/Man

1. Causes us to defy good sense

- **Proverbs 30:18 – 20 (NLT)** *There are three things that amaze me— no, four things that I DON’T UNDERSTAND: 19 how an eagle glides through the sky, how a snake slithers on a rock, how a ship navigates the ocean, how a man loves a woman. 20 An adulterous woman consumes a man, then wipes her mouth and says, “What’s wrong with that?”*
- **QUOTE:** *Lust connections, disguised as love connections will cause a person to make decisions that are as bad or worse than a stone-cold drunk.*

2. Causes us to jeopardize what matters most

- **QUESTION:** *Am I willing to sacrifice THIS in order to enjoy THAT??*

3. There is NO GOOD END

Winning the Battle of the Strange Woman:

1. Admit it

- **QUOTE:** *We can never get free if we can never get honest.*
- **Psalm 51:17 (NLT)** *The sacrifice you desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject a broken and repentant heart, O God.*
- **QUOTE (Chris Hodges):** *God never asks for perfection. He asks for transparency and humility.*
- There is an awesome power in repentance!!
- **QUOTE (Myles Munroe):** *To REpent is simply to come back up higher where you belong.*

2. Avoid it

- **Matthew 5:29, 30 (NKJV)** *So if your right eye causes you to sin, take it out and throw it away! It is much better for you to lose a part of your body than to have your whole body thrown into hell. 30 If your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away! It is much better for you to lose one of your limbs than to have your whole body go off to hell.*
- God is saying take DRASTIC MEASURES to get away from the source of your temptation.
- **Proverbs 6:27, 28 (MSG)** *Can you build a fire in your lap and not burn your pants? 28 Can you walk barefoot on hot coals and not get blisters?*

3. Account for it

- **James 5:16 (MSG)** *Make this your COMMON PRACTICE: Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you can live together whole and healed...*
- Refuse to live your life with your little secret. Instead, find and live in accountability
- **QUOTE (Chris Hodges):** *You will always be as sick as your secrets*

CONFESSION OF HOLINESS:

I am the seed of the Most High God. I've been born into righteousness and my true character is holiness. I shun the very appearance of evil. I've learned that fornication is *inappropriate sexual activity and it refers to ALL sexual activity outside of a God-ordained marital union*. I know that fornication is sin and failing to *flee* fornication is sin. And I know that the paycheck for sin is DEATH. So, I make a conscious decision today that I WILL NOT GET PAID. I will exercise my dominion over sin to say no to *thoughts* of sin that may lead to *acts* of sin. I repent of anything that has been in my life prior to today and I seek the strength of Holy Spirit to help me walk in Godly purity. I submit to the healing power of Jesus to make me whole in my heart, so I'll never again turn to wickedness to cover up my real pain. David said in Psalm 101, verse 3 "*I will set no wicked thing before my eyes...*". I agree with David, and I choose to guard my heart and the heart of my children. I resist the strange woman, the strange man, and any other distraction that would try to rob me of God's best. Holiness increases my capacity for the blessing. So, I fully expect the hand of God to be stronger on my life as I raise my standard. I declare divine health, divine prosperity, and divine protection are working mightily in my life. When I pray for things, they come to pass!! My angels are on assignment to work the ZOE life of God for me, and nothing is hindering their assignment. I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, and I will live this way for the rest of my days!!!! AMEN!!!