

Moments of Inspiration

Haste Makes Waste by Sonia Edwards

Enthusiasm without knowledge is no good; haste makes waste.

Proverbs 19:2—3

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When we are faced with major life decisions, it is important to slow down and get all the details before running out and getting in above our heads. Humans tend to make decisions based on what they like and how they interpret available information. When we make these decisions, relying only on our human intuition, we run the risk of exposing ourselves to faulty choices. The book of wisdom counters this type of strategy by admonishing us to trust in the Lord with all our hearts and not to lean on our own understanding (Prov 3:5-6). When we invite God's perspective in critical life choices He promises to direct our paths.

The path of wisdom is clearly relying on God's guidance in all facets of our lives. Interestingly, the Proverbs suggest that humans are prone to blame God

when we chose our own paths and then things fall apart. God is not to blame for the results of our own choices. The lesson these verses bring home to us is that "Haste Makes Mistakes". When we hurriedly devise plans without seeking God's guidance, we are apt to make faulty decisions that can potentially slow down our progress. In these times it's easy for many of us to blame God when things do not work out. "People run their own lives by their own foolishness and then are angry at the Lord (Prov 19:3).

Today let's take the counsel of the Book of Wisdom and include God's guidance in all we do.

Prayer

Dear God, we invite you to lead us in the narrow path of life. Forgive us for blaming you for the mistakes we have made. Forgive us for not taking the time to seek and understand your desires for our lives. Come now and lead us into all truth. Amen