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## **(#138) The Proverbs of Solomon 19:3- Hey Y'all, Watch 'Chis'**

Since God Created humans, only God can provide specific understanding of human behavior. God gave Solomon Divine Wisdom (**1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10**) to explain what and why behavior is as it is, and **Proverbs 10:1 - 24:34** are randomly written, as if they were Judgments Solomon made about individual cases brought to him for Divine Wisdom (**1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10**), or simply God-given explanations about life. New Testament passages may help see the continuation of Wisdom offered through Jesus Christ.

### **Proverbs 19:3:**

The foolishness of a man twists his way, and his heart frets against the LORD.

In our day of Extreme "Sports," and irresponsible behavior, the Devil's Doctrine seems to be what a lot of people use to get themselves into terrible situations, only to blame God for their stupid decisions! When the Devil tempted Jesus Christ, he perverted a Scripture to make it seem to teach that whatever reckless decision one makes, God will send a "guardian angel" to save a person from his or her own choices!

Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, 'If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: "He shall give His angels charge over you," and, "In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" (**Matthew 4:5-6**)

In this, he quoted from **Psalm 91:11-12**, leaving out a crucial phrase, and teaching falsely that God has angels to "guard" us from our own recklessness! Jesus Christ replied by showing that the plain teaching of God's Word on that subject came from **Deuteronomy 6:16**:

Jesus said to him, 'It is written again, "You shall not tempt the LORD your God.'" (**Matthew 4:7**)

Jesus was emphasizing that humans should not put God in that situation by hurling ourselves into circumstances we should have avoided by obeying God! Job's friends, and Job, had wrestled with the question: *Why do bad things happen to good people?* In God's response, He said to Job:

"Now prepare yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer Me: 'Would you indeed annul My judgment? Would you condemn Me that you may be justified?'" (**Job 40:7-8**)

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God was saying, "Man up, and take responsibility for your own life, and quit blaming Me for your ignorance or weaknesses!" People seem to think they can live their lives without thinking of God or how His Word would bring Wisdom into their decisions, and then they want to curse God, blaming Him because their lives are in wreck and ruin. That's like a driver under the influence who kills people and destroys property, who would sue the carmaker because he/ she did it using a car! How useless (and ignorant!) is it to blame our Maker because we have thrown away what could have otherwise been a good life because we didn't listen to our Maker's instructions? Jesus' lament over the Israelites says it all:

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!" ([Matthew 23:37](#))

How reckless is it to continue to live without Jesus Christ?

He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. ([Mark 16:16](#))

