

The Value of a Biblical Education

Proverbs 22:1-16

1. Proverbs 22:6: An inspired guarantee?

- a. Understanding the literary genre of the Proverbs
- b. What is the *meaning* of this verse?
- c. To whom does this admonition apply?

2. Why biblical education is *necessary*

- a. Because our hearts are storehouses of folly (v13, 15)
- b. To avoid danger, both moral and spiritual (v3, 5)
- c. To find the abundant life (v4, 7, 9, 11)
- d. To avoid destruction (v8, 10, 14, 16)
- f. To stand before God (v1-2, 12)

3. Do we truly *value* biblical education?

- a. How well do you *know* the Bible?
- b. How well do you *understand* the Bible?
- c. How well do you *apply* the Bible?
- d. How well do you *teach* the Bible?

4. Challenge: Examine the priority of biblical training in your life.

- a. You and the Word: Read, understand, apply, repeat.
- b. You, others, and the Word: discipleship is the normative mode of the Christian life.
- c. You, the world, and the Word: the next generation is hopeless without truth – let's teach them!