



PROVERBS

A Course for Life

A Course for Big Life Lessons • Proverbs 11:27-31

**WHAT ARE THE BIG
LIFE LESSONS FOR
WISE LIVING?**

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but evil comes to him who searches for it.

PROVERBS 11:27

GOOD



What is moral, right, and wholesome.

FAVOR



To be pleasing or accepted.

³⁵ A servant who deals wisely **has the king's favor**,
but his wrath falls on one who acts shamefully.

PROVERBS 14:35

² A good man obtains **favor from the Lord**,
but a man of evil devices he condemns.

PROVERBS 12:2

EVIL



Bad;
Immoral, wrong, and harmful.

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**Big Life Lesson 1:
You reap what you sow.**

⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.

GALATIANS 6:7



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but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.
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PROVERBS 11:28–30

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⁸ And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed.

⁹ And out of the ground the Lord God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. **The tree of life** was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

GENESIS 2:8-9

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PROVERBS 11:30

“Captures souls”

- Literally “the one who takes lives is wise”
- Laqah (לָקַח) = take/seize/grasp
- Nepesh (נֶפֶשׁ) = life/soul/being

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- Option 1: “captures lives” — snatch from danger or for the benefit they provide
- Option 2: “grasps lives” — understands them

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***Big Life Lesson 2:
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WISDOM



The capacity to understand and
function accordingly.



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***Big Life Lesson 3:
Divine judgment is at
work.***



