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## Proverbs for Life

Lesson 6  
Correct me if  
I'm wrong...

Ice Breaker (in groups):

1. Solve these Rubus word problems:

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2. I shake hands with many different people. Some pull me close and some push me away. In the end, they always leave me. What am I?
3. What is 1 piece of advice that you didn't take that you wish you would have?
4. Who is the hardest person to hear instructions/commands from? Why?
5. Each person in your group read one of the following Proverbs and share what you learned:  
Proverbs 13:13; Proverbs 13:18; Proverbs 15:32; Proverbs 19:20

Question:

1. Have you ever seen a child misbehave somewhere and the parents do absolutely nothing? What were your thoughts?
2. Have you ever seen someone treat another person like trash and think "I hope that mean person gets what they deserve one day."?

-For some reason, we see the need for everyone else to get punishment or to be corrected, but we don't like it when it happens to us. Not only that, sometimes we need to be the ones to stand up, but we stay silent.

Key point: Sometimes we need correction. Sometimes we need to be the corrector.

Question: So, why don't we like being corrected? (Proverbs 12:18)

### I. Being Corrected

- A. Ignoring correction is FOOLISH (Proverbs 12:1; 26:11)
- B. "God-given correctors"
  1. Your PARENTS (Proverbs 13:24)
  2. Your CHURCH
  3. Other GODLY people (Proverbs 11:14)
- C. Sometimes correction must come through PUNISHMENT

## II. Being the Corrector (Proverbs 27:5-6)

- A. God has put you in the LIFE of others for a reason
- B. Saying NOTHING at all is the same as AGREEING
- C. A real FRIEND doesn't sit back and keep their mouth SHUT (Proverbs 27:5)

\*not correcting someone is concealing LOVE

-Look at the verse 6. It may hurt when a friend points out our wrong...but that is a trustworthy friend. An enemy is someone who just tells us what we want to hear (kisses).

## discuss in groups

Read Proverbs 27:17. What does this verse mean?

List 5 people that "sharpen" you that you can trust to give you godly guidance.

Read Proverbs 13:20. What does this verse mean?

List 5 people that are in your life that have a negative impact on you.

Read Proverbs 25:19. If we know the people that will lead us to do what is right, why do we usually go to the people who just tell us what we want to hear?

How would you feel if you were heading down a dangerous path and your best friend said nothing or just agreed with you? Would you rather them be honest with you? So, why is it hard for us to be the friend who is a true friend and encourage our friends to do what is right?

\*Pray in groups. Take requests including how the group can pray for what we learned.

## take it home

Read Proverbs 28:23

1. Work on building relationships with those who will guide you in the right direction, even if it hurts.
2. Find someone who is hurting/struggling and be a true friend to them. Love them and guide them.

Proverbs Reading:

\*This week, read Proverbs 16-18

-by the next time we meet, you should have read chapters 1-18 and 31

\*Take your time, carefully reading through each verse.

\*Highlight/underline key verses that stand out to you.

\*Take it deeper- keep a journal about what you learn!