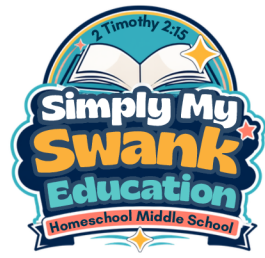




Worksheet: Wisdom of the Ages Adages in Proverbs



Name: _____

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■ Vocabulary Check:

Adage / Proverb: A short, memorable saying that expresses a general truth, practical wisdom, or a rule of conduct that has stood the test of time.

Part 1: Fill in the Blanks (NKJV Scripture Completion)

Directions: Use the Word Bank below to complete each famous adage from the Book of Proverbs.

WORD BANK:

Stumble · Straight · Destruction · Friend · Heart · Honor * Anger

1. Proverbs 3:5–6

"Trust in the Lord with all your _____, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

2. Proverbs 16:18

"Pride goes before _____, and a haughty spirit before a fall."

3. Proverbs 17:17

"A _____ loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity."

4. Proverbs 15:1

"A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up _____."

5. Proverbs 4:12

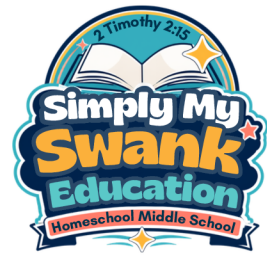
"When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, and when you run, you will not _____."

6. Proverbs 15:33

"The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom, and before _____ is humility."



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Part 2: Matching Meanings

Directions: Match each NKJV scripture verse on the left with its corresponding everyday wisdom / meaning on the right. Write the correct letter on the line.

Scripture Verse		Practical Life Lesson
___ 1. Proverbs 13:20 "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed."		A. Admitting you don't know everything and keeping your ego in check keeps you safe from massive failures.
___ 2. Proverbs 6:6 "Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise..."		B. True companions show up and support you when life gets messy, not just when things are going great.
___ 3. Proverbs 27:17 "As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend."		C. Be careful who you spend your time with. The habits and character of your closest friends will rub off on you.
___ 4. Proverbs 16:18 "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."		D. Don't wait around for someone to force you to work. Take initiative and build consistent habits to prepare for the future.
___ 5. Proverbs 17:17 "A friend loves at all times..."		E. Good friends challenge each other, push one another to grow, and help correct each other's mistakes.

Part 3: Deep Dive Reflection

Directions: Read the passage below from Proverbs 26:20 (NKJV) and answer the questions in complete sentences.

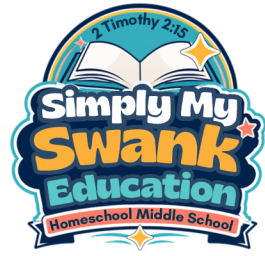
"Where there is no wood, the fire goes out; and where there is no talebearer, strife ceases."

1. What is a "talebearer"? (*Hint: Think about someone who spreads secrets or rumors*).

2. How is a rumor or gossip like adding "wood" to a fire? What happens to a fight when people stop talking behind each other's backs?



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■ Part 4: Draw Your Application

Directions: Choose one adages from this worksheet
(e.g., "Iron sharpens iron" or "A soft answer turns away wrath").

*In the box below, illustrate a modern-day example of this truth in action
at school, home, or with friends.*

■ Teacher's Answer Key

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1. Heart 2. Destruction 3. Friend 4. Wrath 5. Stumble 6. Honor

Part 2 Answers:

1. C 2. D 3. E 4. A 5. B

Part 3 Sample Answers:

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