

Volume 2 Books of Poetry Proverbs 16:2

"All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the spirits." Proverbs 16:2

It is foolish to believe all of our ways are right! And yet, many people believe just that – at least that is what they believe even if they won't say it out loud. Their actions betray them. A very few folks will even give a second thought to the "whys" of their actions. But once the Holy Spirit enters our life in a personal, and o so, practical way upon our being born again, He helps us, as He always does, to weigh our own hearts motives and intentions.

"Commit your works to the Lord, and your thoughts shall be established." (Proverbs 16:3)

When we first bring the Lord into our doings – He readily takes the invitation personally. Now this "committing of your works to the Lord" is not a mere courtesy of the religious but a whole-hearted knowing of your need for His help!

"A man's heart devises his way, but the Lord directs his steps." (Proverbs 16:9).

The sovereignty of God is everywhere! That may seem an all too obvious observation, but we must be constantly reminded of this truth! "Every detail works to my advantage and to God's glory..." (2 Corinthians 4:15a The Message).

"There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end there of are the ways of death." (Proverbs 16:25).

The final balance is this – you can choose poorly and subsequently fall into the ways of death and destruction. Or, in fearing the Lord, you can humbly walk with Him in a posture of gratefulness and thanksgiving for His "ordering of your steps" and watch as He indeed blesses your life!

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