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(#149) The Proverbs of Solomon 20:26- True Political Correctness

Since God Created humans, only God can provide specific understanding of human behavior. God gave Solomon Divine Wisdom (**1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10**) to explain what and why behavior is as it is, and **Proverbs 10:1 - 24:34** are randomly written, as if they were Judgments Solomon made about individual cases brought to him for Divine Wisdom (**1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10**), or simply God-given explanations about life. New Testament passages may help see the continuation of Wisdom offered through Jesus Christ.

Proverbs 20:26:

A wise king sifts out the wicked, and brings the threshing wheel over them.

God sets the standard for what is "wicked" (**Exodus 23:7; Proverbs 6:12-19**), and this judgment is His.

The LORD tests the righteous, but the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates. Upon the wicked He will rain coals; fire and brimstone and a burning wind shall be the portion of their cup. (**Psalm 11:5-6**)

Another proverb also states this formula: Other proverbs state this plainly:

- Take away the dross from silver, and it will go to the silversmith *for* jewelry. Take away the wicked from before the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. (**Proverbs 25:4-5**)
- *Like* a roaring lion and a charging bear *is* a wicked ruler over poor people. (**Proverbs 28:15**)
- If a ruler pays attention to lies, all his servants *become* wicked. (**Proverbs 29:12**)

These proverbs call for a government purge of evil. What has happened is the government has been purged of good! Political Correctness ("P.C.") has lowered good morals to the level of evil, as Paul warned Christians: "Do not be deceived: 'Evil company corrupts good habits'" (**1 Corinthians 15:33**). "P.C." is being used to silence the Truth of God and the righteous.

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is



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manifest in them, for God has shown it to them.
(Romans 1:18-19)

Only the unrighteous would “suppress the truth in unrighteousness,” and when those in government do this, it is called “political correctness” by them, “censorship” by their citizens, but brings down “the wrath of God” upon them!

True “political correctness” is for government leaders to realize it is “an abomination for kings to commit wickedness” (Proverbs 16:12), and a king should scatter “all evil with his eyes” (Proverbs 20:8). Every president, king, queen, prime minister, or other leading representative of government that overlooks and allows the wicked to have influence in government is not wise and is wicked!

A main job of a God-ordained government leader, is to be “not a terror to good works, but to evil” because “he is God's minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil” (Romans 13:1-4). Since “there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God,” then citizen’s obedience is required (Romans 13:1). However, when the wicked rule, the people pay.

When people keep voting for “the lesser of two evils,” they have supported the wicked who rule! Citizens who should have a say in their government, but accept the wicked in government, deserve what they get! The outcries of the Israelites let God know they were ready for deliverance:

Now it happened in the process of time that the king of Egypt died. Then the children of Israel groaned because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry came up to God because of the bondage. So God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God acknowledged them. (Exodus 2:23-25)

A word to the wise is sufficient.

