

Sermon-based Discussion Questions

“Sources” from 8/16/2020

Proverbs 22:17-21

SPOILER ALERT: *You may not want to read these until AFTER you have heard the sermon.*

1. Share about a time when you were almost convinced of some truth, until you heard the other side of the story. Read Proverbs 18:17. Why is it so important that we cross-examine the sources we are listening to?
2. When was the last time that you heard something on the news, and then wondered how it could possibly be true? Did you respond by immediately dismissing it, investigating it further, or something else?
3. What advice would you give to a friend who seems to have bought into a conspiracy theory? How do you think we can discern between what's truly a conspiracy and what's false? How would you suggest that we guard our relationship with someone with whom we disagree?
4. Read Proverbs 18:13 and James 1:19. Why do you think the Bible urges us toward wise listening? Share an example from your own life where this wisdom applies.
5. Would you agree that people sometimes only listen to what they want to hear? Explain. Why do you think people might prefer to be in control themselves rather than to trust God's sovereign control?
6. Read Proverbs 15:22. How can we make sure that we are truly listening to a variety of WISE sources? How can we make sure that we are a wise source for others?
7. Are there any information sources in your life that you need to listen to differently? Do you need to turn toward a different source? What are some practical ways that we can increase our input from wise sources? How can we pray for each other this week?