

THE OBTAINING OF COUNSEL

PROVERBS 15:22

I. THE CORRECT CONCEPTION OF WHAT COUNSEL ACTUALLY IS

- A. Common Misconceptions
 - 1. Counsel Is Merely The Dissemination Of Information
 - 2. Counsel Is Merely Discussion
- B. Proper Conception
 - 1. The Interaction Between Jethro And Moses (Exodus 18:19)
 - 2. Biblical Counsel Is A Plan Of Action (Strategy) That Allows One To Go Forward
 - 3. Solomon Recommends A Circle Of Trustworthy Confidants

II. THE SINGLE GREATEST MISTAKE THAT CAN BE MADE WHEN CHOOSING COUNSELORS

- A. When The Wrong People Get Into Your Inner Circle, You Are A “Goner”
 - 1. They Are Called “The Ungodly” (Psalm 1)
 - a. They May Be Conspicuous For Notorious Evil
 - b. They May Appear To Be Highly Successful
 - c. They May Even Be In The Church
 - 2. Their Character Is Contrary To God’s
- B. When The Wrong People Get Into Your Inner Circle, You Will Never Be Able To *Prove What Is That Good And Acceptable And Perfect Will Of God* (Romans 12:2)
 - 1. People That Are Shaped By This Age Lose Their Ability To Think God’s Thoughts After Him And Consequently To Give Proper Counsel
 - 2. Their Culture Has Dictated Their Experience