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The Proverbs Series: Good Medicine

Proverbs 17:

- 3** A crucible for silver and a furnace for gold, but the LORD is the tester of hearts.
- 6** Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of a son is his father.
- 16** Why should the fool have money in his hand with no intention of buying wisdom?
- 20** The one with a perverse heart finds no good, and he whose tongue is deceitful falls into trouble.
- 22** A joyful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit dries up the bones. (BSB)
1. God desires to use all of our **struggles** to purify our hearts so that we will be more like Him. V. 3
 2. We must be valuers of life. **Children** are not a burden but a blessing. V. 6
 3. Wisdom is to be **valued** above any monetary gain. V. 16 The word “heart” is used here. The interpreter interpreted it as intention.
 4. We must be people who look for the **good** in others. Our tongue must be used to build others up truthfully. V. 20
 5. A heart that is filled with **joy** positively affects the health of the body. V. 22

Let's spend some time in prayer, praying for God to use each verse to give us the heart that He desires.