## The "God-Factor"

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**Proverbs 29:20-27** <sup>20</sup>Do you see a man who speaks in haste? There is more hope for a fool than for him. <sup>21</sup>A servant pampered from his youth will bring grief in the end. <sup>22</sup>An angry man stirs up dissension, and a hot-tempered man abounds in transgression. <sup>23</sup>A man's pride will bring him low, but a humble spirit will obtain honor. <sup>24</sup>A partner to a thief hates his own soul; he receives the oath but does not testify. <sup>25</sup>The fear of man is a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is set securely on high. <sup>26</sup>Many seek the ruler's favor, but a man receives justice from the LORD. <sup>27</sup>An unjust man is detestable to the righteous, and one whose way is upright is detestable to the wicked. (BSB)

- **I.** Here are the details of this passage.
  - **A.** A *wise* person thinks through what they are going to say before they say it. V. 20
  - **B.** Always getting what you want does not form the <u>character</u> needed to be a good employee. V. 21
  - C. Unresolved issues in our past will cause <u>trouble</u> in our current relationships. V. 22
  - **D.** Humility is the best prevention against destructive *pride*. V. 23
  - E. Close personal relationships with *immoral* people will affect our character. V. 24
  - **F.** We must live to please *God* and not man. V. 25-27
- **II.** Let's spend some time praying though this passage. Let's seek God for guidance on how we are to live.