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ADVICE FOR VISION 2020

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2020 has been called the year of vision, the year we maximize our perception and purpose. We all have different aspirations and goals set that will make 2020 a year of life-long memories and joy. While some set goals to get in shape, to lose weight, or quit smoking, others want to write a book, start a business, travel out of the country, or get closer to God. [Studies show](#), however, that the “second Friday in January is the fateful day when most of our annual commitments start to crumble.” Oh no! For 2020, that was, and I emphasize was...January 10, 2020. Is your Vision 2020 still in progress? Since I just celebrated my birthday, here is some advice from my Proverb that may help you get back on track toward your goals.

Proverbs 16:2-3

*²All a person's ways seem pure to them,
but motives are weighed by the Lord.
³Commit to the Lord whatever you do,
and he will establish your plans.*

Pray about your goals and your vision for 2020. Is your vision for your life, aligned with God's vision for your life? How did you decide on your vision - are you striving to be like someone

else, are you driven by money, or have you prayed and been told by the Holy Spirit what course you are to take? We can certainly reach goals that we set on our own, but in my experience, when I strive for Kim's goals, I work MUCH harder than I do when I work within His established plans.

Proverbs 16:8, 25

*⁸Better a little with righteousness
than much gain with injustice.*

*²⁵There is a way that appears to be right,
but in the end it leads to death.*

Do the right thing. Study God's word so that at every step you not only *know* right from wrong, but have the capacity to *choose* right, even when wrong is more personally beneficial. 1 Peter 5:8 advises, "Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour."

Proverbs 16:22-23

*²²Prudence is a fountain of life to the prudent,
but folly brings punishment to fools.*

*²³The hearts of the wise make their mouths prudent,
and their lips promote instruction.*

Prudence is not a term we often hear, but it is one that our parents allude to when we share with them our big ideas. To act with prudence means to make decisions with careful thought and consideration of the future. The Bible says prudence brings a fountain of life. It also indicates that the opposite of prudent behavior is foolish behavior. As you pursue your 2020 Vision, be prudent. Is your vision just for 2020, or beyond? Prayer will bring you prudence.

So, get back on the wagon, it's still January. There is still plenty of time in 2020 for your dream to become reality. Don't just take the advice of my Proverb, read *your* Proverb too! Your Proverb is the chapter of Proverbs equal to your birthday. If your birthday is on the 10th of the month, Proverbs 10 was written just for you. There are 31 chapters of Proverbs, so no matter which day you were born, there is a Proverb just for you! Isn't God good!

Have a blessed week!

Kim