

L-path Teaching
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Title: **A LIFE OF INTEGRITY**

Big Idea: One of the virtues that define a Christian is the purity of heart or integrity. The integrity of a person is seen when they are presented with the “perfect opportunity” to compromise their values but choose to go by God's Word and Truth.

Text: Proverbs 10:9 (AMP)

9He who walks in integrity and with moral character walks securely, But he who takes a crooked way will be discovered and punished.

Introduction:

- **What is Integrity?**
- **Integrity is a way of life.**
 - v.9 *He who walks in integrity...*
 - **It is how you live, how you walk in this world.**
- **Integrity is based on what you believe that is right and true. It is based on the moral beliefs you hold on to.**
 - v.9 *He who walks in integrity and **with moral character** walks securely,*
- **Without holding on to what is right, there will be no integrity. Your life will be a life of twisted reality and belief.**
 - v.9 *But he who takes a **crooked way** will be discovered and punished.*
- **Integrity is our moral compass that always points us to what is right. It leads us to a life that is pleasing to God.**

Living a Life of Integrity

- David is one of the people commended by God for a life of integrity.
 - ***And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them - Psalm 78:72***
 - David wrote Psalm 101 which we can use as a checklist for integrity.
1. **Integrity acknowledges the Lord in their life.**
 - a. v.1 *I will sing of your love and justice; to you, Lord, I will sing praise.*
 - b. Integrity starts with how we praise God in our lives.
 - c. **Integrity does not lose sight of what God has done in our life.**

2. Integrity lives a blameless life.

- a. *v.2 I will be careful to lead a blameless life— when will you come to me? I will conduct the affairs of my house with a blameless heart.*
- b. Blameless means faultless (**walang kapintasan**).
- c. **Integrity is the cleanness of our hearts and motives.**

3. Integrity keeps its eyes away from evil.

- a. *v.3 I will not look with approval on anything that is vile. I hate what faithless people do; I will have no part in it.*
- b. **Integrity hates to see what is evil. It does not take pleasure seeing it.**

4. Integrity protects itself from the perverse.

- a. *v.4 The perverse of heart shall be far from me; I will have nothing to do with what is evil.*
- b. **Integrity does not take part in what is wrong. It avoids evil.**
- c. You protect yourself from evil.

5. Integrity silences gossip and slander.

- a. *v.5 Whoever slanders their neighbor in secret, I will put to silence; whoever has haughty eyes and a proud heart, I will not tolerate.*
- b. Integrity stops what is wrong. It does not tolerate it.
- c. **Integrity promotes peace and calmness.**

6. Integrity seeks fellowship with the right people.

- a. *v.6 My eyes will be on the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me; the one whose walk is blameless will minister to me.*
- b. **Integrity seeks to be with the right people. It seeks to promote what is right.**

7. Integrity denounces deceit and dishonesty.

- a. *v.7 No one who practices deceit will dwell in my house; no one who speaks falsely will stand in my presence.*
- b. **Integrity does not stand with the corrupt, wrongdoers, and liars.**
- c. Integrity does not support wrongdoings.

8. Integrity separates itself from wickedness and evil.

- a. *v.8 Every morning I will put to silence **all** the wicked in the land; I will cut off **every** evildoer from the city of the Lord.*
- b. Integrity gets rid of evildoers.
- c. **Integrity separates itself from all evil. It does not retain any of it.**

CONCLUSION:

- **Integrity is a life of consistency.**
- **Consistency to God's will and moral standard.**

- It does not compromise good with evil, with what is wrong.
- **Integrity is to be able to stand upright. It does not bend to evil.**
- **Integrity is a life of evidence.**
 - It is to be seen not only by God but by other people.

DISCUSSION:

1. Was there any instance that your integrity was tested? Share your experience.
2. How can you influence other people to live a life of integrity?