

# Preppers

How many have heard of the term "Preppers" Show of hands?  
How many here are preppers? Show of hands?  
How many here have bandaides in your house? Why? Do you have a cut?  
Then you are a prepper.  
Do you have flashlights or candles?  
Then you are a prepper.  
Do you own a defensive weapon..or two, or three?  
Then you are a prepper.  
You see Cuomo, they are DEFENSIVE weapons NOT Assault weapons.

Being a prepper is not the same as hording and trusting in riches rather than trusting in God.  
Being a prepper is wise.

What is the national debt up to now? What's your plan Stan?

The Old Testament was written for our example, right? Biblical examples?...  
Noah was the ultimate prepper.  
Joseph was a prepper storing grain for the years of famine to come.  
I think we would all agree that these men to were wise.  
Both knew from God's word that judgement was coming.  
We have God's word and we know that judgement is coming. Are you prepared?

Proverbs 6:6 **Go to the ant**, thou sluggard; **consider her ways, and be wise:**  
Proverbs 6:7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,  
Proverbs 6:8 **Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.**

Proverbs 30:24 There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are **exceeding wise:**  
Proverbs 30:25 The ants are a people not strong, yet they **prepare** their meat in the summer;

**2 times the Bible refers to ants as being wise.** To be wise you must have knowledge. To have knowledge you must think. Ants can think and make decisions.  
**Ants look ahead to the future and prepare so they are ready to survive the coming winter!**

**That is the lesson God want us to learn from the ants.**

God wants us to be wise  
Wisdom is the principal thing.

But even more important than preparing for the physical storms of life, we need to prepare for the spiritual storms and judgements!

You better be getting ready now. **Prepare to meet thy God!** Amos 4:12

Our public school system is teaching our kids that spiritual things are just ancient myths and superstitions. Therefore our next generation is growing up deficient in knowledge. That is why we have mass shootings today. The fault is not the guns, but the morality of the people behind them. That is why we have so many in prison today and many more that should be in prison. Now the prisons have to correct what the public schools failed to do. Teach moral wisdom.

Proverbs 10:14 **Wise men lay up knowledge:** but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

Laying up knowledge is like laying up food stores in preparation for future use.

Matthew:25:1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

2 And **five of them were wise**, and five were foolish.

3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

4 But **the wise took oil in their vessels** with their lamps.

Proverbs 21:20 There is treasure to be desired and **oil in the dwelling of the wise;** but a **foolish man spendeth it up.**

**The ants don't just lay up food for the winter, they eventually eat the food and grow.**

If you eat protein you'll gain muscle. I'm living proof. The same thing applies spiritually. You must digest scripture in your mind so it can build your heart in wisdom. Eat the word of God and grow.

The word of God is our meat. That's our protein.

John 4:32 But he said unto them, **I have meat to eat that ye know not of.**

Jesus was talking about spiritual food.

Matt 4:4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

**Why do the ants store food?** They are **preparing for winter.**

This is the main point of this message.

Proverbs 27:12 A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the **simple pass on, and are punished.**

Simple in modern terms means don't be a moron or idiot.

Romans 16:19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you **wise unto that which is good**, and **simple concerning evil**. (Ignorant, stupid concerning evil)

Psalms 19:7 **The law of the LORD** is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, **making wise the simple**.

The law of the LORD maketh wise the simple...  
You don't have to stay stupid, stupid. **You big dummy**.

Proverbs 14:15 The simple believeth every word: but the **prudent man looketh well to his going**.

Look well to your going. Be prudent, be wise, prepare for future events. Men, you are the leader of your home.

For the young people just starting out in life there is...Proverbs 24:27  
**Prepare thy work** without, and make it **fit for thyself in the field**; and afterwards build thine house.

When you are young, **prepare yourself** for whatever field you choose to work in first. Then think about building your house. Don't get the cart before the horse. Make preparation for your career or lifes work. That is one of the hardest decisions you'll ever make in life.

Proverbs 10:5 **He that gathereth in summer is a wise son**: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame.

In other words, better make hay while the sun shines.

Preaching on prepping is linked to wisdom and the heart, and also the tongue and that subject could go on for hours, but finally to cut this short..

Jesus is a prepper...

John 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. **I go to prepare** a place for you.

I would like to close with this one statement. **Prepare to meet thy God.**