

**"STUMBLING BLOCKS"**  
**Psalm 120; Proverbs 20 and 23**

1. What thoughts touched you in last week's lesson?

**DAY 1 – READ Psalm 120:1-7**

2. a. "Save me, O Lord, from (A) \_\_\_\_\_ and from (B) \_\_\_\_\_."

- b. How can those be a cause for stumbling (sin) according to James 3:2-10?

3. a. How can the lips and tongue be building blocks instead of stumbling blocks from these Scriptures?  
Psalms 35:28

Hosea 14:2

Ephesians 4:15

- b. Write Proverbs 10:32.

4. a. In Psalm 120:6 the psalmist states, "Too long I have lived among those who hate peace." Contrast the lifestyle of "those who hate peace" with that of the "peacemakers" in James 3:16-18.

- b. Share something you know or have experienced about how living in an unpeaceful situation creates stumbling blocks for Christians.

**DAY 2 – READ Proverbs 20:1-15**

5. "(C) is a mocker . . ." What do we learn in Ephesians 5:18?

6. Verse 3 says every fool is quick to (D) \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. What was Paul's advice to Timothy (2 Timothy 2:23,24)?

- b. What are some effective ways you've found to avoid quarrels?

- c. What happens to emotions when you're involved in a quarrel and how do you handle them?

- d. Share the circumstances of a successful settlement of a quarrel in your life.

7. What stumbling block do you see in 20:6? (E) \_\_\_\_\_

**DAY 2 (Continued) – READ Proverbs 20:1-15**

8. Stumbling blocks in our lives makes us realize what as we read verse 9?
9. How is discipline a building block for children?
10. a. Fill in: "I think (F) \_\_\_\_\_ is the stumbling block of verse 13."  
b. If the word you chose was meant in a physical sense, apply verse 13 spiritually.

**DAY 3 – READ Proverbs 20:16-30**

11. a. Who betrays a confidence? (G) \_\_\_\_\_  
b. If you share a confidence with someone, what burden do you place on the listener?
12. Verse 22 speaks of (H) retaliation. What do these Scriptures say?  
Matthew 5:39  
1 Peter 3:9
13. a. What is a trap according to Proverbs 20:25? (I) \_\_\_\_\_  
b. Ecclesiastes 5:4-7 reminds us of what?

**DAY 4 – READ Proverbs 23:1-35**

14. What potential stumbling blocks are found in these verses?  
vs.2 (J) \_\_\_\_\_ vs.13 (M) \_\_\_\_\_  
vs.4 (K) \_\_\_\_\_ vs.17 (N) \_\_\_\_\_  
vs.6 (L) \_\_\_\_\_ vs.27 (O) \_\_\_\_\_
15. Verses 29-35 are descriptive of the state of drunkenness.
  - a. It goes down \_\_\_\_\_, but in the end it does what?  
Eyes  
Mind  
Sleep
  - c. What is the tragedy of verse 35?
  - d. Stop and pray silently for someone you know who has a problem with alcohol.

**DAY 4 (Continued) - READ Proverbs 23:1-35**

16. The Scriptures are full of warnings about things that hinder our Christian walk. What are some others from these Scriptures?

- a. Genesis 19:26 (P)
- b. Nehemiah 4:10-12 (Q)
- c. Matthew 13:58 (R)
- d. Luke 9:61 (S)
- e. Hebrews 12:1 (T)

**DAY 5 MISCELLANEOUS TEXTS**

17. What are warnings in these Scriptures?

- a. Matthew 18:7
- b. Romans 14:21
- c. 1 Corinthians 10:32

18. a. In traveling along the spiritual highway, we have identified these potential stumbling stones:  
(Review the lesson answers)

(A)	(F)	(K)	(P)
(B)	(G)	(L)	(Q)
(C)	(H)	(M)	(R)
(D)	(I)	(N)	(S)
(E)	(J)	(O)	(T)

b. What do these Scriptures say about the highway?  
Proverbs 16:17

Isaiah 35:8

Isaiah 62:10

c. Pray in the power of 1 John 1:9 and remove any of your stones today!

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**LECTURE NOTES:**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**