

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31 (NIV)

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17 (NIV)

...Speak the truth in love...

Ephesians 4:15

...Look, the Lion of the tribe of Judah...Then I saw a Lamb...

Revelation 5:5-6

...Be as shrewd as snakes and innocent as doves...

Matthew 10:16

And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them.

Psalms 78:72

Extortion turns a wise person into a fool, and a bribe corrupts the heart.

Ecclesiastes 7:7 (NIV)

**WISDOM DOESN'T
GIVE IN**

Wisdom Perceives Extortion

Extortion: Oppression, injury, defrauding.
Extortion is yielding to oppression.

Extortion takes place when:

- A. Somebody has something over you from the past.
- B. Somebody threatens to take away something from you that is valued in your present.

“A dead thing can go with the stream, but only a living thing can go against it.” - G.K. Chesterton

If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all.

Isaiah 7:9b

**Wisdom Doesn't Trade
the Future for the
Present**

Bribery: the act of offering someone money or something valuable in order to persuade them to do something for you.

A rejected offering.

Lance Armstrong

Required his teammates to adhere to the doping program outlined for them or be replaced.

Bribed UCI (Union Cyclist Internationale) to cover up a positive doping test.

Sued multiple new organizations when they cast doubt upon Armstrong's victories.

Paid \$5M to settle U.S. government fraud lawsuit

Lost \$75 million in sponsorships in one day.

Stripped of his 7 Tour de France titles.



Faustian Bargain

A bargain or deal with the devil; giving up anything in trade for power, knowledge, or wealth.

Originally derived from Christopher Marlow's *Doctor Faustus*, who made a deal with the devil by trading his soul for knowledge and fame.

