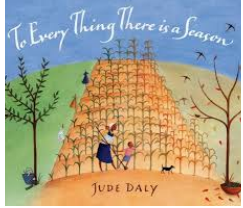


# Prudence

**Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands.**

**1 Thessalonians 4:11**

## Family Book



**Author:**  
Solomon?

**Illustrator:**  
Jude Daly

## History

**Clues:**

## Literary Devices

**Opposites**

**Comparison**

## Vocabulary

*Rend:*

*Prudence:*

*Circumspect:*

## Questions

*After a person has died and been buried, we see the family dancing around the place where the person was buried. Why is this?*

*We are told not to hate. But the poet says there is "A time to hate." Is hate ever okay?*

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## Songs & Video

*Turn, Turn, Turn (The Byrds)*  
*Geography Now: Lesotho*

**Acquire a disciplined and prudent life, doing what is right and just and fair.**

**Proverbs 1:3**

## Proverbs

*Proverbs 12:16*

A fool shows his annoyance at once,  
but a prudent man overlooks an insult.

*Proverbs 12:23*

A prudent man keeps his knowledge to himself,  
but the heart of fools blurts out folly.

*Proverbs 13:16*

Every prudent man acts out of knowledge,  
but a fool exposes his folly.

*Proverbs 14:8*

The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to  
their ways,  
but the folly of fools is deception.

*Proverbs 14:15*

A simple man believes anything,  
but a prudent man gives thought to his steps.

*Proverbs 14:18*

The simple inherit folly,  
but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

*Proverbs 19:14*

Houses and wealth are inherited from parents,  
but a prudent wife is from the Lord.

*Proverbs 27:12*

The prudent see danger and take refuge,  
but the simple keep going and suffer for it.

### PRUDENT:

Acting with or showing care and thought for the future.

Wise or judicious in practical affairs; Sagacious; discreet or circumspect; sober.

Careful in providing for the future; provident (*a prudent decision*)

Sensible. Economical, thrifty, frugal.

Marked by wisdom or judiciousness (*prudent advice*)

Shrewd in the management of practical affairs (*prudent investors*)

Marked by circumspection (*discreet*)

"Sometimes it is better to say nothing at all than to say anything. That shows prudence, so the wise thing to do under certain circumstances could be to keep our mouths shut, especially if we're in trouble, and the only prudent thing to say might be, "I'm sorry." Someone who is being prudent is careful or wise in handling practical matters and is exercising good judgment or common sense. That is basically what being prudent is."

### CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

***When God created time, he made it cyclical.***

**What is a cycle?**

**Name some time cycles.**

**Name some cycles in life and in nature.**

**Why do you think God created time this way?**

**Are you familiar with the "Church Calendar?" How do Christians use it to integrate cycles into their worship?**