Discernment

"Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces."

Matthew 7:6

Family Book



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A rich man may be wise in his own eyes, but a poor man who has discernment sees through him.

Proverbs 28:11

A Tree and Its Fruit

Matthew 7:15-20

"Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them."

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God -- this is your spiritual act of worship.

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is -- his good, pleasing and perfect will.

-Romans 12:1-2

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

What made the music box special? Why did Bernardi sell it?
What emotions do you think he felt after selling it?
What was Babu's reaction when he realized what had happened? Do you think he was upset?

What particular challenges does eSwatini face?

What are some of the causes of these challenges?

Can you think of any novel ways to address these issues?

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