

## LEARN HOW TO TAKE ADVICE

**FOCAL PASSAGE:** ECC 4:13

**BIBLICAL TRUTH:** God warns us not to be too proud to take advice.

**BUSINESS IMPACT:** To help us get self out of the way so we can listen to others advice and ideas so the business will prosper.

**Ecclesiastes 4:13** *Better a poor but wise youth than an old but foolish king who no longer knows how to take warning.*

It is so easy in management to get to a point where you feel you have all the answers. After all people look up to you.

But we are warned to listen to the counsel of others.  
Other people may see things from a different perspective on a different level.

Companies grow from new ideas and advice from others.

If you get to a point where you won't take or listen to advice from others the ideas will stop coming and when that happens productivity will suffer and so will the business.

The opposite is true for a business that will listen and encourage ideas and advice from others.

Not all the ideas or advice will be helpful for the business but it is important to explain why and then thank and encourage them to keep the ideas and advice coming.

*The thing to do with good advice is to pass it on. It is never good to oneself.*

-Oscar Wilde-

*Ideas are like rabbits. You get a couple and learn how to handle them, and pretty soon you have a dozen.*

-- John Steinbeck--

**PRAY**— that we will never get to a point where we have a closed mind to listen to others.