

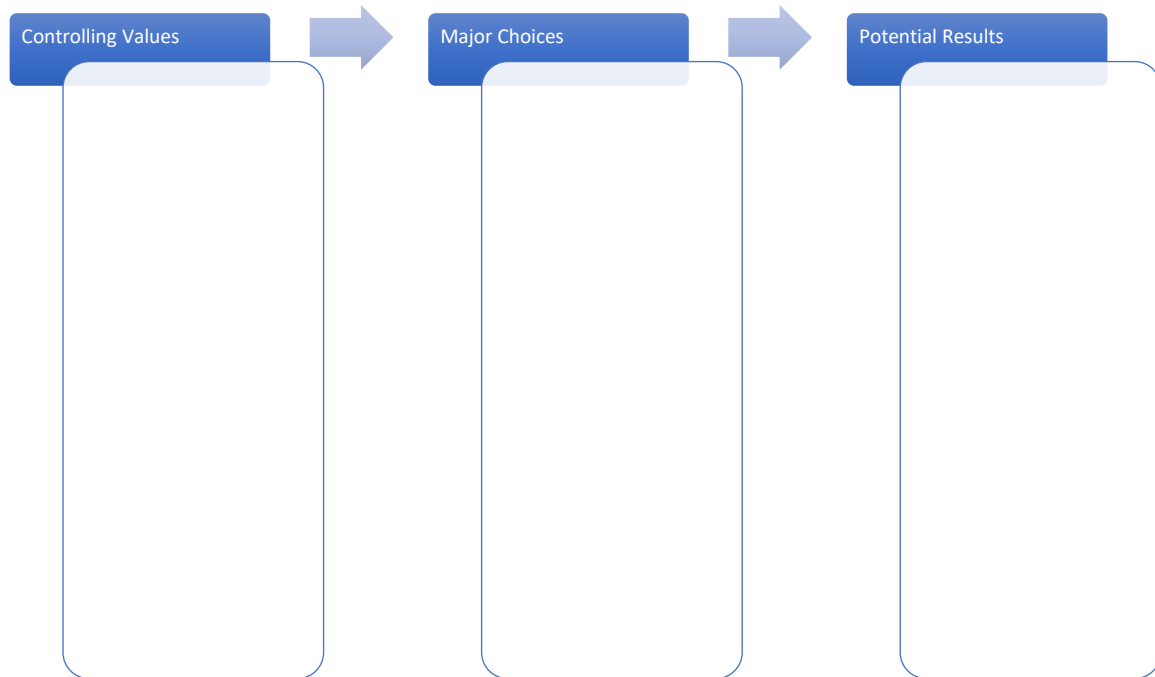


Proverbs 12

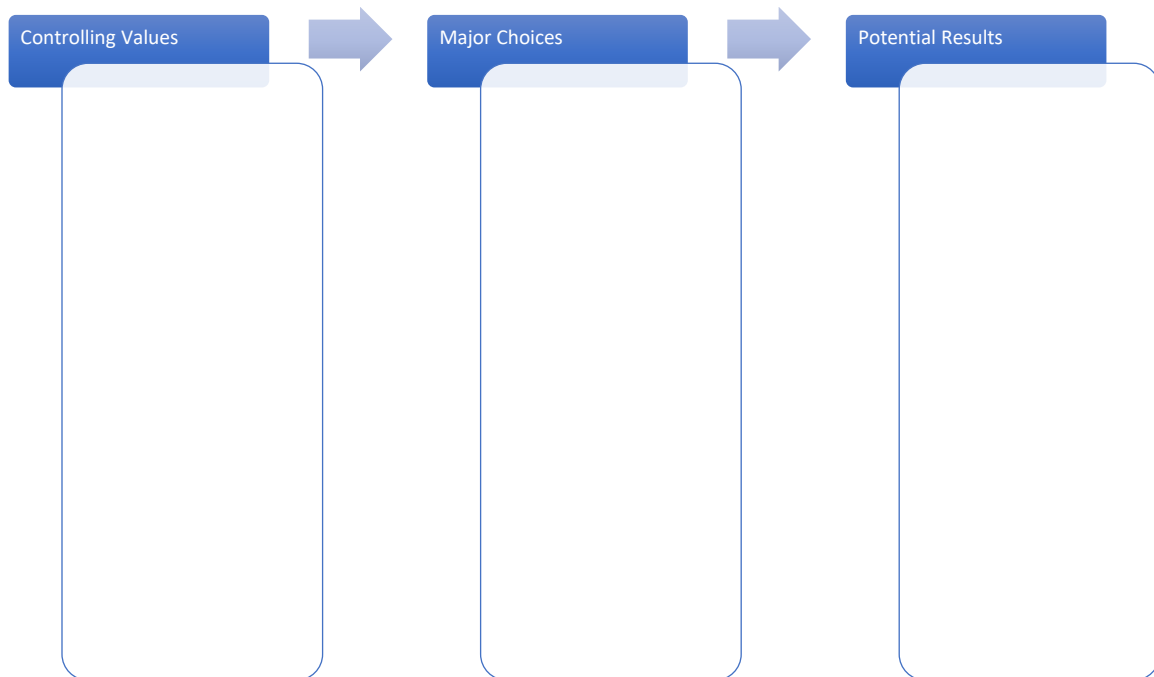
One way of reading the book of Proverbs is to imagine yourself as a young man starting to make a life. Your parents' words and the collection of Proverbs create a simulation game, presenting a simplified but true world. The point of the game is for you to develop good habits and reflexes in your choices about skill, values and God.

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Imagine yourself as a young man and read Proverbs 12 slowly. As you consider each proverb, try to put some words in the charts below.



One way of understanding the Lordship of Jesus is to treat him as a wisdom teacher. Given that the creation was made through him and for him, he probably knows a bit about how life works. Interestingly, parables teach us things in the same way that proverbs do: observing the world, making comparisons, posing riddling questions. Read through the parable of the sower in Luke 8:1–15 and fill in the charts again.



What might be the next step God wants you to take on the path of wisdom?

Pray for one another about these things.