Daily Devotion For April 1, 2022

"The fool says in his heart, there is no God." Psalm 14:1

Today is April Fools day! Are you a practical jokester? Hasn't anyone ever played a practical joke on you? Maybe you have noticed that no one likes being called a fool much less being made to look like a fool. We like to think of ourselves as being wise, savvy and sharp, not easily tricked or duped. But, when we measure ourselves by God's standards, we might be surprised at how much we deserve that title. For instance, did you know the bible says we are fools if we:

- spread slander (Provers 10:18)
- think we're right in our own eyes rather than listening to wise counsel (Provers 12:15)
- reject our father's discipline (Proverbs 15:5)
- delight only in revealing our own mind rather than in understanding. (Proverbs 18:2)
- are perverse in speech instead of walking in integrity (Proverbs 19:1)
- quarrel instead of keeping away from strife (Proverbs 20:3)
- always lose our temper (Proverbs 29:11)

But the ultimate definition of a fool is found in Psalm 14:1. The ultimate fool is one who lives as though "there is no God."

Thought For Today: Look over the above scripture verses from the book of Proverbs. Are there any ways that "foolishness" has crept into your life?

Today's Prayer Focus: Pray that you and those around you will live as though you are wise and not a fool. Deo Volente.