

# discretion is good

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dis·cre·tion

1. The quality of being discreet; circumspection. See Synonyms at prudence.
2. Ability or power to decide responsibly.
3. Freedom to act or judge on one's own: All the decisions were left to our discretion.

Proverbs 11:22 As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a beautiful woman [handsome man] who is without discretion. [George Holder translation] Gold rings hung in the cartilage of the nose, or the left nostril, were favorite ornaments of eastern women, Pr 11:22; Eze 16:12.

Rings were inserted in the noses of animals, to guide and control them; and according to the recently discovered tablets at Nineveh, captives among the Assyrians were sometimes treated in the same way,

2Ki 19:28; Eze 38:4.

No Wonder Self Control is listed as a fruit of the Spirit! [Galatians 5:22-23] But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.