

# WISDOM THAT WORKS

## PROVERBS #52

### The Prepared Man

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**Pro. 4:7** Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding

- Wisdom is the ability to apply God's truth to life.
- God gave us \_\_\_\_\_ on this earth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is also filled with seasons.

**Eccl. 3:1-8** To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: 2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; 3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; 4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; 5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; 6 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; 7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; 8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

**Pro 10:5** He that gathereth in summer *is* a wise son: *but* he that sleepeth in harvest *is* a son that causeth shame.

**Pro 30:24-28** There be four *things which are* little upon the earth, but they *are* exceeding wise: 25 The ants *are* a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer; 26 The conies *are but* a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks; 27 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands; 28 The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.

**Pro 6:6-8** Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: 7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, 8 Provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest.

- **How well we respond to the seasons of life and to the times of life depends on how we \_\_\_\_\_ for it.**

## 1. Know your \_\_\_\_\_

25 The ants *are* a people not strong . . .

26 The conies *are but* a feeble folk . . .

27 The locusts have no king

- **To navigate in life you need to understand two types of weaknesses.**

- **Ones that are \_\_\_\_\_ to you.**

**Jam. 1:14** But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

- **Ones that are \_\_\_\_\_ to all.**

## 2. Fulfill your \_\_\_\_\_

. . .yet they prepare their meat . . .

- **If we were just faithful to all our responsibilities we would have a lot less trouble with weaknesses.**

- **Not fulfilling our roles is usually because we are being \_\_\_\_\_!**

## 3. Understand your \_\_\_\_\_

. . . in the summer.

- The best time to prepare for something is \_\_\_\_\_ you undertake it.

#### 4. Construct your \_\_\_\_\_

26 The conies *are but* a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks;

- *They prepared for the outside disturbances that would come by having a \_\_\_\_\_ shelter.*
- **What are some good shelters?**
  - A solid, faithful, real \_\_\_\_\_ with God.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ of protection we have placed in our lives.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ that we have incorporated into our life.
  - Godly \_\_\_\_\_ we have woven into our life.

#### 5. Accept your \_\_\_\_\_

27 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands;

**Eccl. 4:12** And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

#### 6. Embrace your \_\_\_\_\_

27 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands;

**Acts 2:44-46** And all that believed were together, and had all things common; 45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. 46 And they, continuing daily with one accord

in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

**Heb. 10:24-25** And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

- That gives us two thought about our church brethren;
  - \_\_\_\_\_ **need them.**
  - \_\_\_\_\_ **need us.**

## 7. Forge your \_\_\_\_\_

28 The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.

- *“There are prepared places for prepared people”*
- **What you are doing \_\_\_\_\_ is determining what you will be tomorrow.**

## 8. Acknowledge your \_\_\_\_\_

**Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.**

## Conclusion;

- The Prepared Man;
  - He has a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He lives by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He lives on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He lives with \_\_\_\_\_.