

## MONDAY

#### **Read Proverbs 10**

#### **Discuss**

## **Adult and Student Discussion Questions**

- How does "treasure gained by wickedness" lack profit? (vs. 2)?
- What is the difference between the "wise of heart" and the "babbling fool" in verse 8?
- How might many words bring about transgression (vs. 19)?
- What is one way you can apply the wisdom of proverbs 10 this week?

Just as love to God begins with listening to his Word, so the beginning of love for the brethren is learning to listen to them. - Dietrich Bonehoffer

#### Kids Discussion Questions

- Why do you think it is that a wise son make his father glad (vs. 1)?
- Solomon tells us that treasure gained by sin does not truly help the one who has it (vs. 2). Can you think of any way someone could get wealth in a way that doesn't honor God?
- We're told in verse 19 that it is not wise to talk all the time. When and why might we need to choose to listen instead of to talk?

#### Sing

Amazing Grace
John Newton

## **Pray**

For wisdom from your study in proverbs this week.

# AMAZING GRACE - JOHN NEWTON

- 1 Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)that saved a wretch like me!I once was lost, but now am found,was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils and snares
  I have already come:
  'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
  and grace will lead me home.
  - 4 The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease: I shall possess, within the veil, a life of joy and peace.
- 6 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine; but God, who called me here below, will be forever mine.

# **TUESDAY**

## Read Proverbs 11 Discuss

#### **Adult and Student Discussion Questions**

- Solomon wants for his son to be righteous more than he wants him to be rich (vs. 4). Why is righteousness more valuable than riches according to this proverb?
- Many parents today are much more concerned with their children's financial security than their character. Why might this be?
- What is Solomon's warning in verse 27?

I am he who comforts you; who are you that you are afraid of man who dies, of the son of man who is made like grass, and have forgotten the Lord, your Maker? - Isaiah 51:12-13a

## Kids Discussion Questions

- Why is it more valuable to be righteous than rich? (Hint: read verse 4-7)
- Verse 27 is a warning about spending our lives trying only to please other people. Why shouldn't we live our lives this way?
- Who should we live our lives for instead?

#### Sing

How Deep The Father's Love
Stuart Townsend

#### **Pray**

For the widows and widowers of Calvary.

# HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US - STUART TOWNSEND

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.

# WEDNESDAY

#### **Read Proverbs 12**

#### **Discuss**

#### **Adult and Student Discussion Questions**

- What stands out to you from Proverbs 12?
- What does verse 9 tell us about living within our means?
- What characteristic of righteous people does Solomon highlight in verse 10? How about in verse 16?

Verse 10 teaches that a good man cares for those who provide for him, even if they are only animals. The wicked only exploit. - James Leo Garret Jr.

## **Kids Discussion Questions**

- We're told in verse 1 that we should love discipline. Why is that?
- What is Solomon pointing out in verse 10?
- Read vs. 15 again. Why is it important to be willing to ask for advice?

### Sing

Rock of Ages Augustus Toplady

#### **Pray**

Pick a family from Calvary to pray for.

# ROCK OF AGES - AUGUSTUS TOPLADY

1

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, Save me from its guilt and power.

2

Not the labor of my hands
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears forever flow,
All could never sin erase,
Thou must save, and save by grace.

3

Nothing in my hands I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress, Helpless, look to Thee for grace: Foul, I to the fountain fly, Wash me, Savior, or I die.

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While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee.

# THURSDAY

#### **Read Proverbs 13**

#### **Discuss**

#### **Adult and Student Discussion Questions**

- What is Solomon's warning in in verse 3?
- Why does a sluggard's cravings go unfulfilled (vs. 4)?
- According to this psalm, what bearing does our friendships have on our character?
- What is Solomon conveying about the value of discipline in verse 24?

Labour profiteth others and ourselves; both soul and body need it. - Richard Baxter

#### Kids Discussion Questions

- One of the most common topics in Proverbs is the value of hard work. Why is it so important that we learn to work hard?
- Is work a good thing? Why or why not?

## Sing

Before the Throne Charitie Bancroft

## **Pray**

That the Lord would grant wisdom to our governing officials.

# BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE - CHARITIE BANCROFT

1 Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong and perfect plea,
a great High Priest whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
my name is written on his heart.
I know that while in heav'n he stands,
no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

2 When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; for God, the just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me, to look on him and pardon me.

3 Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness, the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by his blood!
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God, with Christ, my Savior and my God.

## **FRIDAY**

#### **Read Proverbs 14**

#### **Discuss**

#### **Adult and Student Discussion Questions**

- What has stood out to you this week in the book of Proverbs?
- What is Solomon pointing out in verse 4?
- What is it that we can trust if not our intuitions (see verse 12)?

This makes plain our need for a revelation from God. We can't entirely trust our own examination and judgment. To really know we are on the way of life (instead of the way of death), we need to fear the Lord and receive His wisdom, especially as revealed in His word. - David Guzik on verse 12

## **Kids Discussion Questions**

- What is one thing you've learned this week from the book of Proverbs?
- Solomon tells us that sometimes what we feel is the best path to take is actually the worst (verse 12). What can we always trust if, like Solomon points out, we can't always trust ourselves?

**Sing** *Doxology* 

Thomas Ken

**Pray** 

For the children and youth of our church.

# DOXOLOGY - THOMAS KEN

1

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

2

Praise God the Father who's the source; Praise God the Son who is the course; Praise God the Spirit who's the flow; Praise God, our portion here below!