

Priorities, Prosperity & Parenting Psalm 127

Key Application:

- Doing _____ apart from God is _____ vs. 1
 "Woe to those who deeply hide their plans from the LORD, And whose deeds are done in a dark place, And they say, 'Who sees us?' or 'Who knows us?'" Is 29:15
- _____ is the fruit of chasing after _____
 priorities. vs. 2a
 "Hear, O earth: behold, I am bringing disaster on this people, The fruit of their plans, Because they have not listened to My words . . ." Jer 6:19
 "Without consultation, plans are frustrated, But with many counselors they succeed." Prov 15:22
- _____ is the fruit of _____
 God's priorities. vs. 2b
 "Commit your works to the LORD And your plans will be established." Prov 16:3

What are God's priorities?

- _____ is a God priority. vs. 3
- _____ children to _____ and _____
 Jesus is a God priority. vs. 4
 "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons . . ." Deut 6:4-7

"Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it" Prov 22:6

- _____ the blessing of _____ is a
 God priority. vs. 5
 "Grandchildren are the crown of old men, And the glory of sons is their fathers." Prov 17:6

Personal Reflection

We live in a world that runs on feeling, comfort and emotion. "What is good for me is what is best" is the foundation for reason in our world. The challenge for followers of Jesus is to look at life and ask, "What does God say is best?" It's not always what is most comfortable but it is what will be most rewarding. Replacing our values and priorities with God's is never an easy thing to do. For some, it may require a spiritual heart transplant.

Read:

"There is a way which seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death." Prov 14:12
 Jesus said, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." John 10:10

After listening to the message...

1. Are your priorities God's priorities?
2. What pursuits have caused you and those around you pain?
3. How would you describe the fruit your life is producing right now?
4. What do you need to surrender or give up to God?
5. How different might your life be if you would apply what God is teaching you about your need for building His priorities into your life?

Doing business with God . . .

1. Pray for God's forgiveness in your life.
2. Seek God's strength to honestly evaluate your priorities.
3. Commit to growing in wisdom and truth to be a better spouse, parent , etc.
4. Consider participating in the ministries offered at Bucks to help be successful in applying what God has taught you today.
5. Remember God loves you just the way you are He just doesn't want to leave you the way you are.