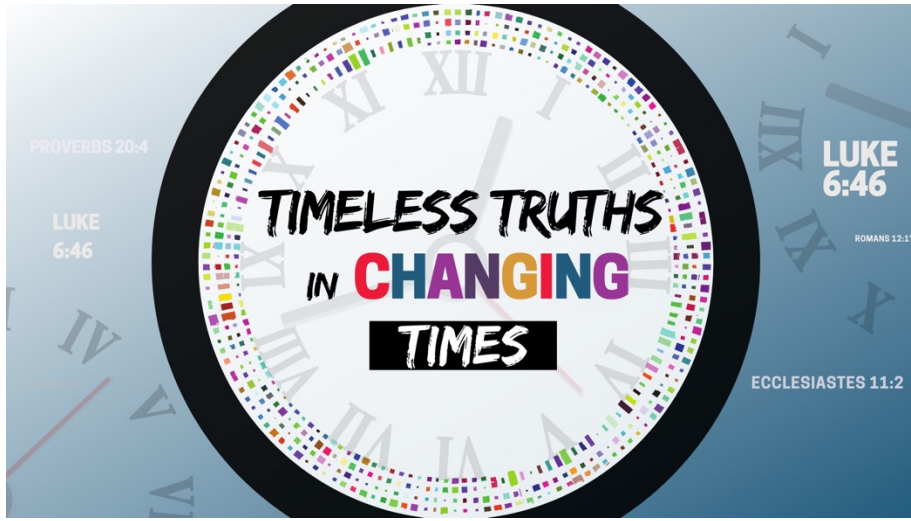




Proverbs 20:4

CSB	NLT	MSG	ESV
'The slacker does not plow during planting season; at harvest time he looks, and there is nothing. '	'Those too lazy to plow in the right season will have no food at the harvest.'	'A farmer too lazy to plant in the spring has nothing to harvest in the fall.'	' The sluggard does not plow in the autumn; he will seek at harvest and have nothing. '

CONVERSATION STARTERS

1. Share one proverb or phrase that was consistently repeated in your family. Example: "the early bird gets the worm"
2. Share a proverb that you use consistently to govern your activities of life.
3. Why is that proverb so important to you?

DISCUSSION

1. Define lazy or sluggard.
2. When are you most likely to fall into a pattern of being lazy? Why?
3. Define consequence.
4. How would you describe the connection between the actions people take and consequences?

REFLECTION

1. Write Proverbs 20:4 in your own words.
2. Are there any areas in your life where you are currently choosing not to "put in the effort"? Why?
3. What do you think would motivate you to "put in the effort"?
4. How do you deal with the disappointment of the results not being what you expected? Do you stop putting in effort or continue to put in effort?
5. What message does your current action at home, work, in relationships, finances, spiritual life communicate about Jesus and the gospel?

Live It

1. Based on today's message, what change do you believe the Holy Spirit wants to make in your life?
2. What is your takeaway from this message?
3. How will you apply this application this week?

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