	king is a child, and thy princes eat in the morning! 17 Blessed art thou, O land, when thy king is the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness! 18 By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands
	the house droppeth through.
CON	CLUSION



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OVERCOMING THE OVERWHELMED LIFE

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SURVIVING THE FOLLY

Decision #10: See the Folly and Walk Away

Text: Ecclesiastes 10:10-13

10 If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct. 11 Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment; and a babbler is no better. 12 The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself. 13 The beginning of the words of his mouth is foolishness: and the end of his talk is mischievous madness.

INTRODUCTION

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Key Statement: An unrushed life embraces the valuable over the trivial!

Solomon tells us of *three* major ways where the valuable is overrun by the trivial.

VALUABLE REPUTATION IS DESTROYED BY	
Ecclesiastes 10:1-3 1 Dead flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savour: so doth a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom and honour. 2 A wise man's heart is at his right hand; bu fool's heart at his left. 3 Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his wisdom faileth him, and he saith to every one that he a fool.	,

1 Thessalonians 4:11

11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

Lamentations 3:26

26 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.

1 Timothy 5:13

13 And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

Titus 2:9

9 Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again;

Ephesians 6:5-7

5 Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; 6 Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; 7 With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:

VALUABLE INFLUENCE IS LOST TO
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Proverbs 25:15 15 By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.
James 1:19 19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:
VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY IS LOST TO

Ecclesiastes 10:15-18

15 The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city. 16 Woe to thee, O land, when thy