## SERMON OUTLINE

## Living a Life that Lasts Selected Proverbs

## I. Our Relationship with God shapes our Character.

- A. Worship God (1:7; 9:10).
  - Worshipful submission is the beginning of a wise and good life.
- B. Please God (3:7; 8:13; 15:8-9).
  - Hating what God hates and loving what He loves is the start of a blessed life.
- C. Trust God (3:5-6; 16:20; 22:19; 28:25; 29:25).
  - Acknowledging God's goodness and control is the path to peace.

## II. Our Character leaves a lasting impact on others.

A. Our <u>Reputation</u> impacts all who know us.

- A good reputation is better than more money (22:1).
- Be known for character (12:4), wisdom (12:8) and prioritizing kindness over money (11:16).
- Don't be known for impurity (5:14) or slander (25:9-10)
- A good reputation survives false accusations (26:2).
- B. A <u>Legacy</u> that lasts starts young.
  - Youth is an advantage for its strength and aging is an honor if we grow in in godliness (16:31: 17:6; 20:29).
  - Our legacy starts young as our character develops (22:6; 23:19, 22-25; 20:20; 30:11; 1 Timothy 4:12; Ecclesiastes. 12:1).
  - The legacy worth leaving is godliness (12:7; 14:26; 15:27; 20:7).
    - Our Righteousness brings family stability (12:7)
    - Our Worship brings family security (14:26)
    - Honesty and contentment avoids family trouble (15:27)
    - Righteous living brings blessing to our family (20:7)

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