

Theme: This series looks at helpful strategies from the book of Proverbs to help us live life well now - and to prepare us for eternity.

## I. Watching Your Words

- A. Theme: Words have powerful consequences for individuals and the whole community, so the wise person controls their tongue.
- B. Text: Proverbs 12:18
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26
- E. Teaching keywords: Tongue and words; wisdom and knowledge; community; character; blessing; honesty and integrity; anger

## II. Fruitful Friendships

- A. Theme: Friends have a powerful influence upon us, so the wise person builds close relationships with people who will encourage them in prudent, healthy actions rather than emboldening them in foolish, harmful habits.
- B. Text: Proverbs 13:20
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Romans 15:5-6
- E. Teaching keywords: Fellowship; community; correction; wisdom and Knowledge

## III. Growing Generous

- A. Theme: As those who are cared for and blessed by God, we should develop a heart that is generous towards others in thought and action, willing to help in whatever way we can.
- B. Text: Proverbs 11:24-26
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Psalm 67:1-3
- E. Teaching keywords: Wisdom and Knowledge; character; money and finances; mercy and mercy ministry; good works; service

## IV. Know Limits

- A. Theme: Humans were created with inherent limits, and the wise person knows and embraces the need for self-control and limits in life.
- B. Text: Proverbs 25:16
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: 1 Timothy 6:15-16
- E. Teaching keywords: Wisdom and Knowledge; humanity; self-control

## **V. Controlled In An Age of Rage**

- A. Theme: The wise person learns to control their words and actions to promote understanding and peace rather strife and anger.
- B. Text: Proverbs 29:11
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: Jude 1:2
- E. Teaching keywords: Wisdom and Knowledge; anger; character; tongue and words

## **VI. Guarding the Heart**

- A. Theme: The key to godly character and a life blessed by God is carefully guarding our hearts because the state of the heart determines actions and character.
- B. Text: Proverbs 4:20-27
- C. Response: Communion
- D. Benediction: 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24
- E. Teaching keywords: Wisdom and Knowledge; character; Christian life; sanctification; salvation and deliverance