Theme: Fruitful lives depend on growing through each of the seasons of life according to God's grand design, allowing us to mature and develop godly traits, and to assume the role God has given us in each season of life.

## I. Spring: Young Children

- A. Theme: Like unplowed ground, young children must have the soil of their hearts prepared through loving discipline and have the seeds of God's Word planted through careful instruction.
- B. Text: Ephesians 6:1-4
- C. Reading: Psalm 71:14-18

## II. Early Summer: Older Children and Young Adults

- A. Theme: Older children and young adults should experience a greater measure of freedom, which they are to use to draw close to God, solidify the lessons learned in their early years, and prepare to serve God throughout life.
- B. Text: 1 Corinthians 13:11
- C. Reading: Proverbs 3:1-6

## III. Late Summer and Early Fall: Adults

- A. Theme: Our adult years are full of hard labor as we strive to love and serve God, our families, and others as we harvest all that has been sown into us in our earlier years.
- B. Text: 1 Corinthians 13:11
- C. Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:7-12

## IV. Late Fall and Winter: Our Later Years

- A. Theme: Our later years are a time of celebration of past efforts and investment in the future, as the wisdom gleaned through the years is passed on to the next generations.
- B. Text: Proverbs 20:29
- C. Reading: Psalm 92:12-15

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