

Abundant Life for the Righteous, & Death for the Wicked (Prov 12)

- Prov 11 “Blessing of the wicked and curse of the wicked on the earth

1. *God abhors dishonesty (11:1-3)*
2. *Riches cannot deliver (11:4-9)*
3. *The upright uphold the city (11: 10,11)*
4. *The Godly Use Discretion (11:22-23)*
5. *The Godly are Generous (11:24-26)*
6. *The Godly are Rewarded (11:27-31)*

I. Love for Instruction & Correction vs Hatred for Correction (vv.1-2)

v. 1 “whoever loves instruction loves knowledge...he who hates correction is stupid.

II. Righteousness Obtains Favor vs Wickedness Condemnation (vv.3-9)

v. 3...the root of the righteous cannot be moved.

III. Stability of the Righteous vs Downfall of the Wicked (vv.10-22)

v. 10“A righteous man regards the life of his animals... mercies of the wicked or cruel”

IV. Kept in God, Good Council vs. Insecurity and Carelessness (vs 24-28)

V. 24“The hand of the diligent will rule”

Doing All Things Through Christ Who Strengthens Me (Phil 4:10-13)

Philippians 4: 8-9 “What Are You Meditating on”

1. These are the things we are to be meditating on (4:8)
 2. The importance of following Godly Examples (4:9)
- Paul expresses his gratitude that they have been reminded about him.

I. Paul’s Joy and Gratitude in the Care of the Philippians (4:10)

- a) *“I rejoiced greatly”* – “rejoice in the Lord” (4:4)
- b) *“Now at last you have revived your care for me.”*
- c) *“...though you surely did care but you lacked opportunity”*

II. Dependent on God and Not Philippian Support (4:11, 12)

- a) Paul had learned contentment in every state.
- b) I know how to be abased.
- c) I know how to abound.
- d) Everywhere, in all things, I have learned to be content.

III. Doing All Things Through (In) Christ (4:13)

- a) Not grit, but grace in Christ.
- b) Context – contentment – obedience and faithfulness
- c) Never serve Jesus faithfully without His strength

John 15: 3; 2 Cor 12:9; 2 Tim 4: 17; 2 Cor 3:4.