



Life Group Discussion Guide

Proverbs: Wisdom for Life

**Do Diligence**

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Proverbs 24:30-34

Main Thought: **Distractions Defeat Diligence.**

Sunday Outline:

- Initial Investment
- Investment Ignored
- Look & Learn
- Laziness Loses
- Diligence Dominates

Welcome & Fellowship Time (*Suggested Time 10 Minutes*)

Open in Prayer

Week in Review: (*Suggested Sharing Time 10 minutes*)

- What fear did you determine would not win this last week? What step of courage did you take to overcome it?

Discussion Starter: (*Suggested Time 5 minutes*)

- What were your New Year's Resolutions this year? How are you doing on them? OR  
What does a lazy day look like to you? How often do you get to have one of those lazy days?

Sermon Review: (*Suggested Time 10 minutes*)

- Read Proverbs 24:30-34 and discuss the following questions.
  - What initial investments have you made in your life?
  - What weeds have grown up in your life?
  - What negative impacts have those weeds had?



Digging Deeper: *(Suggested Time 25 minutes)*

- Read Proverbs 6:6-13 and discuss the following questions.
  - As we Look & Learn from the ants, what lessons can we learn?
  - Why do you think Proverbs 6:10-11 is repeated, almost verbatim in Proverbs 24:33-34? What should we take away from that?
  
- Read Ecclesiastes 4:4-8 and discuss the following questions.
  - What motivates most people to diligence? Is this a good motivation? Why or why not?
  - What does the teacher say idle hands or laziness leads to?
  - Verses 7-8 give a contrast to idle hands, but what does that lead to?
  - How can we find a balance between laziness and being over committed to work?

Application: *(Suggested Time 10 minutes)*

- What have you started or invested in that you have let go of? Do you need to come back to it?
- What distractions have started to defeat you?
- What steps do you need to take to be more diligent?
- Who can help keep you accountable? Will you invite them in?

Group Prayer Requests: *(Suggested Time 10 minutes)*

Spend time praying for each other & praying for application of the study in the lives of the group members. *(Suggested time 10 minutes)*