2022.07.29 Family Worship lesson in "the Proverb of the day" Proverbs 29:6

"Properly Recognizing the Gospel Choice before Us in Every Moment"

## <sup>6</sup> By transgression an evil man is snared,

But the righteous sings and rejoices.

Pastor leads his family in a selection from "the Proverb of the day." In this verse of Holy Scripture, the Holy Spirit teaches us that every moment offers us a choice between life and death. Sin promises joy, but can only rob us of it. Righteousness—living by faith in Christ for the love of Christ by the law of Christ—is the actual path to joy.

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Proverbs 29 verse 6. These are the words of God by transgression and evil. Man is snared but the righteous sings and rejoices So far, the reading of God's inspired and inherent worked.

Sin is a very deceptive thing. It's deceptive in our own fleshly hearts and the great deceiver. The evil one is eager to deceive us as well and the world full of sinners, who love sin. And hate God, they not only do the things that they know are wrong and deserved death, but they approve of those who do.

They also reinforce the deceptiveness of sin. And what sin says is, If you do me, You'll be happy. If you do as your fleshly self-feels, If you satisfy your senses and desires instead of satisfying or enjoying God, you will be very happy. You'll get away with being happier than God wants you to be.

And so sin has a wicked awful view of God doesn't. It's like the third servant. Who says I knew you were a hard master. This comes from the same place as the serpenters says, has God really said you can't eat from any of the trees and the garden. Of course, he's lying, but he's painting a particular picture of God.

And yet He came to a man once he hadn't eaten for 40 days and he was hungry. He said, oh if you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread. You can hear the same lie behind it. Can't you that God is not given him sufficiently.

And if he sins, then he could get away with having more pleasure, more happiness, that God wants them to have. Now does God love us? Sophia. Does he want us to be happy? Does he tell us his rules to stop us from being happy? No, of course not. But that's what our sin says.

Now this proverb tells us what sin actually gets you. It looks like you're going to be happy. That's how a trap works. Traps are supposed to look safe. Even pleasant, you know, we don't put nasty tasting acid in the mousetrap under the sink. In the bathroom, We put glue boards that smell like peanut butter.

And if you were not a human with a shred of common sense and I'm sure there's someone somewhere who has done it, You'd take that glue board out of its package and you'd smell the peanut butter and here back and your tongue would get stuck to the glue board.

Need to have poisonous glue on your tongue, actually. I don't think it's poisonous. If you have glue board stuck to your face traps work because they look safe and pleasant. So we go. We opened that big contrapulation thing with the glue board in it, and there's a bunch of mice in at one time.

Who discovered that. It wasn't actually safe and pleasant, Huh? They didn't make a peanut butter heaven for us under the sink. After all Now it sounds silly and it sounds stupid and ridiculous and you're like, you stupid mice. How could you get caught but aren't we? The stupid mice who have been told in the Bible.

Transgression is a snare, your flesh will lie to you. The devil will lie to you. The world will lie to you and say, oh, it's a way of having happier than God wants you to be and we should already know. Well, that's a lie. God wants me to have himself as my happiness and He gave himself to make happen, but they tell us that line, we say, I could be happier.

If I sinned, you step into the sin and it's not like peanut butter glue boards. Only like animal rights societies. Make peanut butter glue boards, it and the spike stick through the flesh of the animal and and break its ankle. So that even if it was able to hobble its way out it couldn't get too far and you could follow the blood trail that's what sin does to us.

Well, there is something that is the path to happiness. However, by transgression and evil madness nared, but the righteous sing central choices. Oh, the path is to happiness. The path is to singing and rejoicing, it's to trust and God to atone for our sin. It's to trust and God to count us righteous in Jesus Christ.

It's to trust in God, to make us righteous and to join him in that effort to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling or to put to death, the needs of the body. How If, by the spirit you put to death, the deeds of the body, work out your own salvation and trembling for it, is he, it is God who works in you both the will, and to work, according to his good pleasure.

And the one who's trusting in Jesus, who has taken away the guilt of our sin to also take away, not just the power, but even the presence of our sin, as by his spirit, we kill it more and more in union with him. We are on the path to singing and rejoicing.

Isn't that exactly what you do in heaven, the greatest singing you would ever do the greatest rejoicing, you would ever do every once in a while. Some providence on earth is so good that it makes you break forth into spontaneous singing like you were in a Disney movie with such a bad plot that nothing bad happens in it at all.

Well, if you knew that there was something you could do right now, in this moment that it's outcome, would be something so good that you had one of those spontaneous singing. And rejoicing wouldn't wouldn't it be foolish to not do that thing? Doesn't it? Make all the sense in the world.

If you know that you have an option right now that ends and that kind of rejoicing doesn't make all the sense in the world to take that option. What we have that option and the thing to do is whatever God says to do. Whatever proceeds from faith in Jesus Christ, whatever lovingly responds to him, who has loved us with his own life and death and resurrection.

Whatever he says, is right knowing that whatever he says is right is itself. Good and you get more even than doing it for his honor, which is everything and doing it. As part of how he brings you into glory, which is the perfect and everlasting. Blessedness, The commands he's given us are actually the things that make life in this world better.

So so wonderful verse to hold up as a mirror and say, let me not be the full who listens to my sin and ends up in the snare but met me live righteously. According to the law of him who loved me and gave me myself for me. Let me live righteously by the life that is no longer the life that I live, but he lives in me so that the life I now live.

I would live by faith in him who loved me and gave himself for me. Let me live the life that already rejoices in him and that ends in perfected and eternal singing. And rejoicing. Isn't that the life that you want to live? Sophia a life. That is full of singing and rejoicing and happiness.

Well then we need to turn from our sin and trust in Jesus. And then we keep on living a life of trusting in Jesus hating our sin and doing whatever he says. And we'll be happy in this life as happy as you can be in this life and then we'll be perfectly happy forever.

And the next one. Praise God. Let's ask him to help us Our Father in heaven. It makes perfect sense. Your word is true as we read it right now, but we know O Lord. That when we come into the rest of our life, and there are moments where we have an opportunity to be gluttonous or where there's something, in which we might prefer ourself to another or have an opportunity to take offense at something that someone has said or done, There are so many different ways and times and places O Lord.

Where in the moment we actually are convinced by the lie that sinning will and in a little extra happiness. Oh, forgive us and help us. Who can be such fools over and over again and how we thank you for the righteousness of Christ that we could cling to it to know that the days of the battle are numbered.

But we thank you all for the righteousness of Christ and the work of your Spirit. And the promise of your power, for our sanctification. So that we may know that we may by your spirit, put to death, the deeds of the body and live this life. That is a singing and rejoicing in you life, please Lord.

Don't let us bring ourselves through more misery than is necessary in this world and bring us. We pray even when the sanctification is over and the last day and the day of Christ to that happiness of seeing the Lord, for which this holiness of being righteous in our character.

And in our conduct is necessary, Bring us to what we break in the Blessedness of the Lord Jesus. In his name, we ask it. Amen.