**Living Wisely – Pr. 10**

**Focal Truth: There are many differences between the righteous & the wicked**

**Observations**

1. **What is righteousness in Proverbs?**

Lawful, just, righteousness in conduct

1. **What is wickedness in Proverbs?**

Guilty of crime, hostile toward God, guilty of sin

1. **The ways of the righteous – Pr. 10:1 – 11**
2. The righteous delivers oneself from death – 10:2

**The way of righteousness is life, & in its pathway there is no death – Pr. 12:28**

**Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God – Matt. 5:8**

1. The Lord provides for the righteous – 10:3

**God knows the temporal needs of His children – Matt. 6:25 - 32**

1. God blesses the righteous – 10:6

**God blesses the obedient child of God – Deut.28: 1 - 10**

1. The memory of the righteous is blessed – 10:7

**The giving of the widow is remembered – Mar. 14:9**

**A good name is better than great wealth – Pr. 22:1**

1. The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life – 10:11

**The words of the Lord Jesus are the words of life – John 6:88**

**The wise in heart have sweet speech – Pr. 16:21**

**Believers speak wholesome words that encourage & build up – Eph. 4:29**

1. **The ways of the wicked**
2. The treasures of the wicked to not bring gain – 10:2

**King Ahab & Naboth’s vineyards – 1 Kings. 21:4 - 10**

1. The Lord rejects the desires of the wicked – 10:3

**God resists the proud – James 4:6**

1. The mouth of the wicked conceals violence – 10:6,11

**The wicked entice other sinners to sin – Pr. 1:10 - 14**

1. The name of the wicked will rot – 10:7

**The Lord blots out the name & honor of the wicked forever – Ps. 9:5**

1. **Wickedness is sinfulness**
2. Wickedness comes from sinfulness of mind, will & emotions – Mark 7:20 – 23
3. Wickedness is the result of a depraved mind – Rom. 1: 28 – 32
4. Wickedness is the pleasure of sinners – 2 Thess. 2:12
5. **Living wisely is living righteously in Jesus Christ**
6. The righteous shall live by faith – Rom. 1:17; Hab. 2:4
7. No person is righteous without salvation in Jesus Christ – Rom. 3:10
8. By the righteous life & death of Jesus Christ brings righteousness to those who believe – Rom. 5:19
9. Pursue righteousness – 1 Tim. 6:11
10. The Lord hears the prayers of the righteous – 1 Pet. 3:12
11. Lay aside remaining wickedness as a follower of Christ – James 1:21
12. Everyone who practices righteousness is born again – 1 John 2:29
13. The heavenly clothing of the saints in heaven is the righteous acts of the saints Rev. 19:8