



FRESH ENCOUNTER

LIVING WISELY

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Text: Ecclesiastes 9:7-12

“Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works. 8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment. 9 Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that is thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun. 10 Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest. 11 I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all. 12 For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.” (Ecclesiastes 9:7-12)

INTRODUCTION



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“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:”
(Hebrews 9:27)

“It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart. 3 Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better. 4 The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.” (Ecclesiastes 7:2-4)

“So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.”
(Psalm 90:12)

1. _____ **JOYFULLY**

A. Rejoice in our _____

“Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice.”
(Philippians 4:4)

“This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.” (Psalm 118:24)

B. Rejoice in our _____

“And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? 6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.” (Matthew 19:5-6)

“Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the Lord.” (Proverbs 18:22)

“Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. 4 As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. 5 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.” (Psalm 127:3-5)

2. _____ **DILIGENTLY**

“And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.” (Genesis 2:15)

“Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: 7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, 8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest. 9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? 10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: 11 So shall thy poverty come

as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.” (Proverbs 6:6-11)

“Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.” (1 Corinthians 10:31)

“And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;”
(Colossians 3:23)

3. _____ **TO WISDOM**

“Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold. 11 For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.” (Proverbs 8:10-11)

“Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.” (Proverbs 3:13)

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“For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.” (Proverbs 2:6)

“Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded; 25 But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:” (Proverbs 1:24-25)

CONCLUSION
