

# **“Ways to Ensure a Good Life”**

**Prov. 12:28; 1 Pet. 3:10-12; John 10:10; Isa. 57:20-21**

## Introduction

- I. There are some who seek to find “the good life” in the wrong places and with the wrong actions.
- II. God has supplied for us the ways to help ensure that we live “good lives”.

## Discussion

- I. Start obeying God early in life (Eccl. 12:1-7).
  - A. Continued rejection can lead to a seared conscience (1 Tim. 4:1-2).
  - B. Do not put off doing what you know should be done.
- II. Guard you heart (Prov. 4:23).
  - A. Right thinking will help us to live “good lives” (Prov. 23:7).
  - B. Lives are largely affected by what comes out of the heart (Luke 6:45).
- III. Appreciate each day (Matt. 6:34).
  - A. Do not live too much in the future (Jas. 4:13-14).
  - B. Do not live too in the past (Phil. 4:11).
- IV. Put the kingdom of God first (Matt. 6:24-34).
- V. Have the proper attitude toward worship (Psm. 122:1; John 4:24).
  - A. Right object of worship-God.
  - B. Right attitude in worship-spirit.
  - C. Right actions in worship-truth.
- VI. Learn to serve others (John 13:1ff.)
- VII. Become a regular Bible student (1 Pet. 5:8; Matt. 4:1-11; Psm. 119:11).
- VIII. Learn to forgive (Eph. 4:32; Matt. 6:12).
- IX. Be faithful (Rev. 2:10; 2 Tim. 4:6-8; 2 Cor. 4:16-18).

## Conclusion

- I. God has given us the privilege of free will.
- II. Let us choose to make our lives as good as they can be.