Victory Connect Lesson Proverbs: Follow the Ancient Stones Pastor Paul Daugherty May 28, 2023

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[Pro 3:1-2 NIV] 1 My son, do not forget my teaching..., 2 for they...bring you peace and prosperity.

Ancient Stones to Follow:

1. Live with lots of love.

[Pro 3:3 NIV] 3 Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart.

2. Live with generosity.

[Pro 11:24-25 NIV] 24 One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. 25 A generous person will prosper; ...

3. Love and treat your family well.

"Be a better father than you are a golfer." "Be a better spouse than you are a T.V. watcher."

4. Live with honor towards all.

[Pro 31:25 NKJV] 25 Strength and honor [are] her clothing; She shall rejoice in time to come.

5. Live with forgiveness.

[Pro 20:28 NKJV] 28 Mercy and truth preserve the king, And by lovingkindness he upholds his throne.

6. Live with a strong work ethic.

[Pro 20:4 NIV] 4 Sluggards do not plow in season; so at harvest time they look but find nothing.

7. Live with a trust in and surrender to God's wisdom.

[Pro 3:5-6 NKJV] 5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How do we honor the sacrifices of those who went before us?
- 2. Share a time of putting family before earthly things.
- 3. Share a time God's wisdom set you free.

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