

PROVERBS

The Way of Wisdom

Laziness



Examining the Life of the
Sluggard

Defining the Issue



✧ This topic will address the use of time and the misuse/abuse of it.



Characteristics of the Sluggard

1. Hinged to His Bed



☞ Proverbs 26:14

☞ Movement but no progress

☞ “Later” and “Tomorrow” are favorite words (10:4, 6:6-11, 24:33)

2. Happy Making Excuses



☞ Proverbs 22:13, 26:13

☞ "I was too tired" " I ran out of time"

☞ Ecclesiastes 11:4

3. Hopeless of Completing Things

☞ Proverbs 26:15, 19:24

☞ Lacks ability or lacks zeal and energy?

☞ Proverbs 12:27 (Given Opportunitites)

4. Hungers after Fulfillment



☞ Proverbs 21:25

☞ "Achieve without effort"

☞ Talks about success (13:4, 14:23)

5. Haughty in Self-Appraisal



☞ Proverbs 26:16

☞ The ignorant are ignorant of their ignorance.



As a man thinks so he will be

Consequences



- ❧ Self-Evident Ruin (24:30-34)
- ❧ Poverty (12:11, 19:15, 20:4, 2 Thess. 3:10)
- ❧ Loses His independence (12:24)
- ❧ Perpetual Frustration (15:19, 14:23, 13:4, 21:25-26)
- ❧ Irritant to His Employer (10:26, 25:13)

Closing Thought



- ❧ "Tomorrow" by Edger Albert Guest
- ❧ Don't Put off until tomorrow what can be done today.
- ❧ 2 Corinthians 6:2, 1 Peter 5:8