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THE LORD WHO BUILDS OUR HOMES

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Psalm 127 was written by Solomon. It is categorized as one of the Songs of Ascents, which were traditionally sung by the Israelites as they made their way to Jerusalem for religious festivals. This Psalm is also considered a wisdom Psalm as it carries profound wisdom and insights regarding themes of human effort, reliance on God, and the blessings of family.

Solomon begins by emphasizing the importance of relying on God's guidance and protection in all human endeavors. Whether it's building a house or safeguarding a city, human efforts are ultimately futile without God's involvement. He conveys the idea that true success and security come from acknowledging God's sovereignty and seeking His direction (Psalm 127:1).

This idea expands in verse 2, emphasizing that relying solely on one's own efforts, even with diligence and hard work, can be fruitless. The image of rising early and toiling late signifies the constant striving that people need to engage in to secure their future. However, Solomon reminds the people that God blesses His beloved with restful sleep and provides for them, indicating that anxious toil isn't the path to true abundance (Psalm 127:2).

Solomon shifts the focus from physical labor to the blessing of children. Children are portrayed as a precious gift from God, emphasizing that they are a source of joy and inheritance.

Solomon reminds the people that God's blessings extend beyond material wealth and that the family unit is a part of His divine plan (Psalm 127:3). Solomon continues the metaphor of children as a heritage in verses 4-5, these verses liken children to arrows in a warrior's hand. Just as arrows are valuable tools for a warrior's defense and victory, children are blessings in a person's life. A full quiver of arrows symbolizes a family blessed with children, indicating strength, security, and a bright future. The imagery of speaking with enemies in the gate suggests that a person with a strong family foundation will be confident and unshaken even in the face of challenges (Psalm 127:4-5).

In this sermon, we will be challenged to embrace God's divine hand in establishing our home. ✱



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ EDIFYING MINISTRY

Family Builders Ministry
Family Month Celebration

September 17, 2023
Blessing the Children

September 23, 2023
Intentional Discipleship in the Home by Pastor Tony Yeo

September 24, 2023
Family Day Potbless

Peculiar Men's Ministry
Men's Crossroad Reunion
September 9, 2023
8:30 AM | 2nd Floor Lobby

Seasoned Citizens' Ministry
Understanding Generational Differences
September 16, 2023 | 8:30 AM
Speaker: Dr. Summer Parcon

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