

2023.11.11 Family Worship lesson in “the Proverb of the day”

Proverbs 11:1

“Transacting Business Before the Face of the Lord”

¹ Dishonest scales are an abomination to the Lord,
But a just weight is His delight.

Pastor teaches his family a selection from “the Proverb of the day.” In this verse of Holy Scripture, the Holy Spirit teaches us that we must consider our Creator and Redeemer, first and foremost, in how we transact our financial business.

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Proverbs 11 verse 1. These are God's words. Dishonest skills are an abomination to Yahweh. But a just weight. This is delight. So far, the reading of god's. Inspired and inherent word. That is the lord. Has given to us to. Know him and his goodness and the good things that you gives us.

And to display him. And his goodness to image him. And his goodness, and in how we employ and enjoy, The good things that he's given to us. He's also, Designed as world. So that Uh, we are able to observe and measure things. And yet, man and his son rather than using the world that God has designed in the way that god has intended, We use it to serve ourselves rather than to image god.

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Rather than to image god to indulge ourselves. One of the ways that Men do, this is Um, they manipulate The means of exchange. And so, the lord has. Excuse me. The lord has designed Uh, stones and scales and physics and all of those things. Uh, so that we may Find the two that are.

Um, equal and use them for weighing Those are the just weight or the perfect stone. And as man who has made in god's image uses, God's world that God has designed in a way that enables us to Be used by god to provide for one another in exchange and in trade and Uh, that is all a delight to the lordy.

Delights to see his image, displayed in us and all the more now. Because when that happens now, Particularly when that happens, internally from the heart, not only in outward conformity to rules of trade. Um when that happens now it is because we have been redeemed in christ and so the lord does not only delight in his creation being used in the right way and And those who image him imaging him.

Well, But even in his son himself, In whom, sinners. Have been made right with god and become conformed to the image of christ. The holy spirit as he shapes us to be more like christ than we engage in trade. In a righteous manner. The lord delights in his son in us.

Um, How then great is the abomination of dishonesty. In our dealings not only are we abusing God's world when we are. Uh, dishonest in trade. Not only are we failing to image caught? And defacing. God's image in ourselves. Um, But if we are, An unbeliever, we are Little. Corrupted images of god apart from his son and then even worse the believer who is supposed to be in his son is displaying his flesh, which is still in him rather than christ.

In whom the believer. Is. And so, We should, we must take. Very seriously, this warning. That dishonest scales, deceitful, scales to seatfulness, deceptiveness in trade is an abomination. To your offer. It blasphemes, not only the god in his image, we are made. Uh, but the god man, the redeemer Through whom we have been saved and to whom we are supposed to be Being conformed.

So there's actually much more at stake for the believer. Um, than for the unbeliever. And how we? Deal with. Economics and trade and business and so forth. So, let us Be remembering those things when when we're buying and selling and trying to obtain goods and That is a time.

In which our attention is placed on many things that we may be forgetful of the lord. But this verse Brings us back to our senses as it were To be mindful. Uh not just of what we are buying and selling and how much we're able to pay for it and all of those things.

But to be mindful of whether we are pleasing the lord. Or whether he finds our conduct. And abomination. Lord, give us to heat his word by the work of his spirit. Let's pray. Her gracious gardener heavenly father, how we thank you for this world that you have made. That we might enjoy it that we might employ it emerging you.

We thank you much more for your son. Who has begotten and not made and yet to duck to himself. That created human nature. In order that he might be our righteousness. And our atonement. And we pray oh lord that you would forgive us for How easily we are distracted.

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Business in material things. So that we are forgetful of you and forgetful of your son. And, Often that those particular times. Fail to live for your pleasure and conformity to the Lord jesus. Forgive us our sin. We pray and give us the help of your holy spirit, the spirit of your son.

Whom you send in our into our hearts. To cry out to have a father to you to conform us. To the lord jesus. So that we might live in your world according to your word and so grant us that on doing ministry of your spirit. We ask in jesus name, Amen.