



## *“Living with Crookedness”*

*Ecclesiastes 7:1-14 • part 11*

### INTRODUCTION

- the sovereign God who gifts us with “crooks”

Eccl. 5:2; 7:13-14  
Eccl. 5:19; 6:2; 3:11; 1:15

- in the day-to-day, living by wisdom

Eccl. 1:18

### *1. Wisdom teaches us to pursue good character (7:1-4)*

- a good reputation better than Right Guard

Deut. 8:18

- how to develop a good character: life’s better teachers

- staring death in the face

### *2. Wisdom teaches us to pursue maturity (7:5-6)*

- mindless songs and woodless fires...

- presenting to God a heart of wisdom

Ps. 90:10-12  
Prov. 12:1; 9:8; 10:17; 17:10

### *3. Wisdom teaches us to pursue patience (7:7-9)*

Deut. 16:19; Eccl. 12:13-14

### *4. Wisdom teaches us to seize the day (7:10)*

Eccl. 1:9; Ps. 118: 24

### *5. Wisdom protects and preserves (7:11-12)*

Prov. 8:11

### APPLICATION

a.

Job 1:21; 2:10; 37:14; Lam. 3:38; Is. 45:7; 55:8

b.