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Psalm 127:1b-3

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1 Corinthians 10:3-6 "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, ⁴ for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the tearing down of strongholds, ⁵ as we tear down speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ, ⁶ and are ready to punish all disobedience, whenever your obedience is fulfilled."

- I. Active **Builders** (vs 1a)
- II. Watchful **Defenders** (vs 1b)

Philippians 4:8-9 "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. ⁹ Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you."

- III. Planned **Margin** (vs 2a)
- IV. Beloved **Peace** (vs 2b)
- V. Divine **Gifts** (vs 3a)

Psalm 37:18 "The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever."

Isaiah 54:17 "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD."

Proverbs 29:15 "The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame."

a. The **Goal** of Discipline

Hebrews 12:11 "Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby."

b. The **Method** of Discipline

Proverbs 13:24 "He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes."

Proverbs 20:30 "The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so do stripes the inward parts of the belly."

Proverbs 22:15 "Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him."

Proverbs 23:13-14 "Withhold not correction from the child: for *if* thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die. ¹⁴ Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell."

- c. The **Core** of Discipline
- VI. Earned **Rewards** (vs 3b)

Ecclesiastes 4:9 "Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labor."

VII. Serious Application