PROVERBS

Grown and Guarded in Christ Proverbs 3:1-12 June 19th, 2022 Pastor Adam Fix

## **Study Questions**

Read Proverbs 3:1-13 *slow and deliberately* (Groups read it twice with different readers) There are three "if" statements in verses 1-5. What do they have in common and what is their goal? Why is understanding the fear of the Lord central to Proverbs?

How do we grow in godly character and Christian maturity? Read Ephesians 4:15. Why are truth and love necessary for godliness? What will emphasizing one at the exclusion of the other produce? What happens if you know the truth, but do not have love? Read 1 Corinthians 13:1.

Who is the forbidden woman? Why would she want to seduce the son? What is the real effect of her words? Read Proverbs 26:28. What is the true cost of infidelity (vs. 18–19)?

The question of Proverbs 2 is, do you want to have a life of promise or one of ruin? Stated this way, the answer is obvious. Yet, why do we find it so difficult to turn away from behavior and character we know is destructive? How does the grace of God give us the hope of being guarded against our own sinful desires?

Growing in Christ is often a matter of worshiping Jesus above all other things. What are you most prone to worship other than Christ? How can you actively call out that idolatry and delight yourself in Jesus?

What sins, burdens, and weights do you need to ask Christ to carry for you so that you can more fully live in his peace and joy?