

Summer in the Psalms

Lesson Twelve • Psalm 127

Frustration or Satisfaction?

Solomon's Message in Psalm 127:

Without the Lord, FRUSTRATION. With the Lord, SATISFACTION.

Frustration or Satisfaction?

1. Without the Lord, Our WORK Is Pointless!

Unless the LORD builds the house, they labor in vain who build it; unless the LORD guards the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. Psalm 127:1

The Tower of Babel:

Is a disastrous example of the FUTILITY of self-reliance and the FOLLY of self-sufficiency. *Genesis 11:1-9*

Two Encouraging Truths:

- God loves to WORK. *Genesis 1*
- God makes our work MEANINGFUL. *Colossians 3:23-24*

2. Without the Lord, Our LIVES Are Restless!

It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows; for so He gives His beloved sleep. Psalm 127:2

Two More Encouraging Truths:

- God gives SLEEP to those who trust in Him.
- God WORKS for those who trust in Him while they sleep.

3. Without the Lord, Our HOMES Are Fruitless!

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth. Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them; they shall not be ashamed, but shall speak with their enemies in the gate. Psalm 127:3-5

The Illustration of Children:

Children are a GIFT from the Lord, not the result of our work.

The Good News from Solomon's Life:

When we TRUST the Lord in all matters of life we will enjoy satisfaction instead of enduring frustration.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6