# STUDY GUIDE

# **WISDOM FOR LIFE** 05.19.2019

#### [start with prayer]

Missions Prayer Focus this week: Disaster Relief Ministry

#### [set up]

What are some of the difficulties you are experiencing as you are getting older? What are some of the benefits?

### [digging deeper]

Read Proverbs 20:29 & Proverbs 16:31. What do these verses mean?

What is one way that understanding these verses can help us live differently?

Last Sunday, we were encouraged to "Age wisely." Take a large post it or a piece of paper and make two columns. One the left side, brainstorm examples of how people can age unwisely. On the right side, brainstorm ways people can age wisely. (Bonus points if you put an asterisk next to the examples that are biblical in nature by instruction or by example.)

Circle one unwise example on the left side that you think you could trend toward and circle one wise example on the right side that you desire to be true of you as you age. Share why you circled the words/phrases you did.

Read these additional verses related to aging and then give a summary of what they mean in a sentence or less. Then give one example of how to live that out and share your answers.

Job 12:12	Summary	
	Example	
Proverbs	Summary	
17:6	Example	
Ecclesiastes	Summary	
7:10	Example	

Psalm 92:12-15	Summary	
	Example	
2 Cor.	Summary	
4:16-18	•	
	Example	

**Prov. 13:22** says, "A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous." (ESV)

How are you going to leave a physical/material inheritance?

(By the way, if you have questions about how to navigate estate planning with biblical stewardship in mind, feel free to contact Brenda from our Generous Life ministry at leisinger@rightteam.com)

How are you going to leave a spiritual and immaterial inheritance through your influence? Read 3 John 4 and Psalm 71:18 for a couple insights on this. (Feel free to brainstorm options in your group for a minute or two.)

#### [living it out]

Action—What is one action step that you will take because of what you just learned? When will you take this step? Who will help encourage you or hold you accountable?

## [praying it up]

You—Each person pick one of the verses above and pray it back to the Lord, for yourself and for your group.

Us—Pray that verse for all of us as believers in Christ, that we will age wisely and for God's glory.