Truth! Wisdom for Flourishing People How do you manage your money? Proverbs 27:23–27

Life throws at us all kinds of situations that cannot be solved easily. We're in need of more than just simple solutions. We have complex problems that require greater insight and understanding. The reason we need this is because these problems stand in the way of flourishing. What we need is wisdom for flourishing. We are in need of truth, truth that can guide us to solve complex everyday problems. Where best to turn than to Truth—the Wisdom of Scripture.

Pay attention to your resources because your resources are limited, but your resources can sustain you.

- As you reflect on the message, what stood out to you? What is something you are still thinking about?
- What is something from the message that challenged you? How are you wrestling with that challenge?
- What question(s) do you have from the message?
- · What is at least one practical takeaway from the message?

Proverbs 27:23–27
23 Know well the condition of your flocks, and give attention to your herds,

24 for riches do not last forever; and does a crown endure to all generations?

25 When the grass is gone and the new growth appears and the vegetation of the mountains is gathered,

26 the lambs will provide your clothing, and the goats the price of a field.

- 27 There will be enough goats' milk for your food, for the food of your household and maintenance for your girls.
- What are some reasons we should pay attention to our resources?
- What resources has God given you to pay attention to?
- What do you think is the difference between stewarding your resources and idolizing your resources?
- When it comes to your money and resources, what is your sinful tendency—greed or worry? Why do you think this is the case?
- Jesus taught us something about this. Read Matthew 6:19–34. How does Jesus address both greed and worry?
- Why is generosity the antidote to both greed and worry?
- Pastor Dustin challenged us to be wise *and* trust God? Why are these two actions not antithetical to one another? How do they work together?
- Do you live by a budget? If so, how has it helped you manage your money?
- Do you consider yourself financially stable? If so, how do you continue in that state? If not, what needs to change for you to become financially stable?