

## **Bible Summary**

### Proverbs Ambition- Part Two

Proverb's big theme is ambition. It's filled with verses about the drives we have, striving, money, learning, listening, accomplishing and doing something. How do we frame ambition according to the gospel and how do we walk out ambition in the Kingdom?

Scriptures – Proverbs 12:11, 24:27, 3:21, 23, 7:2-3, 23:23, 30:8, 22:29, 18:16, 3:4-5, Philippians 4:12-13; Lamentations 3:27; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, 15:10; Psalm 106:15

## **Bible Questions & Application**

(These are meant to aid in facilitating conversation.  
There is no obligation to run through **every** listed question.)

1. How would you interpret “tighten your bow string”?
2. What is the problem with ambition that is unguarded, pursued apart from Jesus?
  - a. What does it mean to “steward your desires” well?
3. Hard work (or grit) is important to success.
  - a. How can you be a hard worker without being consumed by it?
  - b. Would you say hard work (or grit) is still esteemed to the average American?
4. Has the model of hard work and focused/balanced ambition provided abundance in your “fields”?
5. How do you balance success with humility?
6. We're all tempted to put off difficult tasks until later. Can you share some personal, practical tips for fighting procrastination?
7. We all have to pursue making money.
  - a. Do you think your personal wealth has made you less dependent on God?
  - b. How do you balance dependence on God with the pursuit of wealth?
8. One way to fuel ambition properly is to be a lifelong learner.
  - a. What are you learning now?
  - b. How do you motivate yourself to continue to learn?

## **“Getting to Know You” Questions**

1. Since we last met, what are a couple things you're particularly thankful for? (Philippians 4:8)
2. What is a challenge you are facing right now?
3. What is one thing you are looking forward to?
4. How can we pray for you this week?