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Wisdom and Envy

Proverbs 23:17-18

Scripture is pretty clear about two realities: (1) evil, rebellious people will sometimes prosper in this world and (2) in the end, they will absolutely regret their rebellious choices and are _____.

Discussion 1. Are you yet to a point in your walk with God that you no longer envy evil, wicked people who seem to be flourishing? If so, how did you get there? What kind of thinking helps you stay there? If not, what do you think would help you get there?

God's prescription for envy is that I take my eyes off of others and what they are achieving and receiving and put my _____ and what He expects of me and what He has for me. It is about my devotion to God.

Discussion 2. What would be the impact of spending less time thinking about the great lives others are living and more time thinking about God's love for you and His assignment(s) for you? What practical steps would you need to take to accomplish that?

The very essence of our faith is an imperishable _____ that, somehow, in God's timing, our devotion to Him, to His Word and to His ways will prove most beneficial to us.

Discussion 3. How would you explain the hope you have in Christ to a 6-year-old? Why is it important to be able to do this?

When we envy the people and things of the lost world, we forsake our purpose as Christ followers; when we place our _____ in Jesus and live in a way that points people to that hope, we find our place in this world.

Discussion 4. How does your hope in Jesus provide an easy intro into a gospel conversation with someone? How does focusing on your hope in Christ actually help you deal with any envy of worldly people or things?