

# Laziness

LA'ZINESS, n. [from lazy.]

1. The state or quality of being lazy; indisposition to action or exertion; indolence; sluggishness; heaviness in motion; habitual sloth. Laziness differs from idleness; the latter being a mere defect or cessation of action, but laziness is sloth, with natural or habitual disinclination to action.

1. It stupefies men, and makes them senseless, and mindless of their own affairs, as they were cast into a deep sleep, dreaming much, but doing nothing. Slothful people doze away their time, bury their talents, live a useless life, and are the unprofitable burdens of the earth; for any service they do when they are awake they might as well be always asleep. Even their souls are idle and lulled asleep, their rational powers chilled and frozen.

**Laziness travels so slowly, that poverty soon overtakes him.**



## Traps of Youth

The opportunity so many waste. Are you wasting opportunities?????

**Don't be unwise with this short window of opportunity** – Prov.12:26,27

Pro 12:26 The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.

Pro 12:27 The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.

**Complacency Destroys Potential** – Prov.1:32

Pro 1:32 For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

**Care about your life and your future** – 24:30-34 Both physical and spiritual

Pro 24:30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

Pro 24:31 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.

Pro 24:32 Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction.

Pro 24:33 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

Pro 24:34 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

**Open your eyes for opportunity** – 20:13

Pro 20:13 Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

**Wisdom will promote you** – 4:7-8; 13:23

Pro 4:7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

Pro 4:8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.

Pro 13:23 Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is destroyed for want of judgment.

## **Have a Goal and Strategy – 4:25-27; 21:5,20**

Pro 4:25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.

Pro 4:26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.

Pro 4:27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.

Pro 21:5 The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.

Pro 21:20 There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.



## **Don't Be A Sluggard**

### **Lazy youth set themselves up for regret - 6:6-11**

**WHAT IS REGRET?????** **As a noun** 1. Grief; sorrow; pain of mind. We feel regret at the loss of friends, regret for our own misfortunes, or for the misfortunes of others.

**As a verb:** 1. To grieve at; to lament; to be sorry for; to repent.

Pro 6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

Pro 6:7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,

Pro 6:8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.

Pro 6:9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

Pro 6:10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

Pro 6:11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

12:24

Pro 12:24 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.

13:4

Pro 13:4 The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

19:15

Pro 19:5 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall not escape.

20:4

Pro 20:4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

21:25,26

Pro 21:25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.

Pro 21:26 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.

23:19-22

Pro 23:19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.

Pro 23:20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:

Pro 23:21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.

Pro 23:22 Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.

**Don't look for excuses** – 22:13; 26:13-16

Pro 22:13 The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

Pro 26:13 The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the streets.

Pro 26:14 As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his bed.

Pro 26:15 The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.

Pro 26:16 The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.



### Awaken The Giant Within

**You Can Be What You Will Plan Now To Be**

**You Can Make A Goal and Work Toward The Goal**

**But, your biggest, most important goal should be to get yourself and others to heaven.**

**What steps and habits must you form now?**

1Ti 5:8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

Mat 25:1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

Mat 25:2 And five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish.

Mat 25:3 They that *were* foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

Mat 25:9 But the wise answered, saying, *Not so*; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

Mat 25:10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

Mat 25:11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

Mat 25:12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

Mat 25:13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

Mat 25:14 For *the kingdom of heaven is* as a man travelling into a far country, *who* called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

Mat 25:15 And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

Mat 25:18 But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

Mat 25:19 After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.

Mat 25:20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

Mat 25:21 His lord said unto him, Well done, *thou* good and faithful servant: thou hast been ....

Mat 25:24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

Mat 25:25 And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, *there* thou hast *that is* thine.

Mat 25:26 His lord answered and said unto him, *Thou* wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

Mat 25:27 Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and *then* at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

Mat 25:28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give *it* unto him which hath ten talents.

Mat 25:29 For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

Mat 25:30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.