

## **Unless the Lord Builds the House (Psalm 127)**

- We are considering this text in light of Proverbs 6 and 7
- Solomon's positive encouragement: God builds our families.
- Family is the building block of society, if the family fails, society fails

### **II. The Foundation of a Blessed Family (127:1-2)**

#### A. What is necessary

- 1) The home must be built by the Lord (v.1)

*"Unless the Lord builds the house."*

- 2) The home must be protected by the Lord (v.1,2)

*"Unless the Lord guards the city, the watchman stays awake in vain"*

#### B. What is needless (v.2)

*"It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrow"*

*"For so He gives his beloved sleep"*

### **II. The Fruits from a Blessed Family (127: 3-5)**

*"Behold children are a heritage from the Lord the fruit of the womb is a reward."*

- 1) Will honor their parents
- 2) A blessing to their parents and a preservative to a decaying world.

*"Happy is the man who has his quiver fill of them;"*

*"They shall not be ashamed but shall speak with their enemies at the gate"*

## **Be Anxious for Nothing (Philippians 4:6-7)**

- Last message: “Rejoice in the Lord always” Phil 4:4,5
  1. The joy of the Lord (4:4)
  2. Gentleness before all men (4:5a)
  3. The Lord is at hand (4:5b)

### **I. Don't be Anxious, be in Prayer (4:6)**

- 1) Be anxious for *nothing*

Matt 6:25; Ps 55: 22; 1 Pet 5: 6

- 2) But in *everything* by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving

Heb 5: 7-9; Isa 62:8; Prov 3:5,6; Jer 33: 3; Matt 7:7; Eph 6: 18; 1 Thess 5:16,17

### **II. God's Gift of Peace in Christ Jesus (4:7)**

- 1) His peace – the peace of God

Isa 26:3; Rom 5: 1,2; Rom 14:17

- 2) The peace of God that surpasses all understanding (*incomprehensible*)

Eph 3: 19 compared to the incomprehensible love of God

- 3) Will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus

Prov 6: 20-22; Phil 4: 13;