

Regrets in Retrospect

Hebrews 12:12-17

- I. DECISIONS — I have made *Ecclesiastes 11:9*
- DESIRES — I have fulfilled *Ephesians 2:3*
- DEPARTURES — I have traversed *2 Timothy 3:16 2 Corinthians 6:14-18*
- DISOBEDIENCE — I have committed *Ephesians 6:1 Hebrews 13:7,17*
- DENIAL OF AUTHORITY — I have practiced *Ephesians 5:18-33*

II. Illustrations of Those Who Have Great Regrets:

- Lot *Genesis 13:14 Genesis 14 Genesis 18:23 Genesis 19*
- Esau *Genesis 27:34 Genesis 25:30-34 Hebrews 12:15-17*
- Agripa *Acts 26:28*
- Christians — Upon Judgment *1 Corinthians 3:13,15*
— On Rewarding Day *2 John:8*
- Solomon — In Proverbs
— In Ecclesiastes

III. How to Reduce Regret

- Labour — not to be Rich *James 2:5 Proverbs 23:4*
- Renown *Genesis 6:4 Psalm 49:11*
- Respected *Matthew 23:5*
- Reverenced *Matthew 23:7 Psalm 111:9*

Conclusion *Ecclesiastes 12:1, 13, 14*

SECTION 2: The Structure of the Rejection

Matthew 26:1–27:66

- I. The Plot of the Religious Leaders *Matthew 26:1–5*
- II. The Preparation of the Passover *Matthew 26:6–13*
- III. The Perpetrator of the Betrayal *Matthew 26:14–16*
- IV. The Passover Partaken of *Matthew 26:17–29*
- V. The Prophecy of Jesus *Matthew 26:30–32*
 - A. The Hymn Sung (v:30)
 - B. The Hurt Suggested (v:31)
 - C. The Hope Signified (v:32)
- VI. The Promise of Peter *Matthew 26:33–35*
 - A. The Promise Recited (v:33)
 - B. The Promise Rebuked (v:34)
 - C. The Promise Repeated (v:35)
- VII. The Prayers of Jesus *Matthew 26:36–46*
 - A. The Place of these Prayers (v:36a)
 - B. The People that were Present (v:36b)
 - C. The Disciples Particularly Chosen to go Further (v:37–38)
 - D. The First Prayer (v:39)
 - The Distance (v:39a) The Desolation (v:39b) The Devotion (v:39c)
 - The Disappointment (v:40–41) What Jesus saw and said.
 - E. The Second Prayer

- I. **The Christian and His Blessings** *Ephesians 1–3*
- II. **The Christian and His Behaviour** *Ephesians 4–6:9*
- III. **The Christian and His Battles** *Ephesians 6:10–20*

- A. **Describing the Enemy** *(Ephesians 6:10–17)*

- 1. The Exhortation *(v:10)* Our Resolve and Resource
 - 2. The Enemy *(v:11)* Our Protection and Protagonist
 - 3. The Equipment *(v:12–17)* The Arena and Armour

- B. **Defeating the Enemy** *(Ephesians 6:18–20)*

- 1. By Prayer as we:
 - a. *War* *(v:18a)*
 - b. *Watch* *(v:18b)*
 - c. *Witness* *(v:19–20)*