

Increasing Ambition

- _____ love is the natural expression of _____ love, v.9

This love is taught directly _____ – 1 John 4:7-11

To know God's love personally changes church relationships. It...

- Creates _____
 - Empowers _____
 - Works through _____, overlooks _____
and _____
- Each spiritual victory ought to be celebrated. But there's always _____, v.10
- 3 Expressions of Increasing Ambition, v.11-12
 - Live quietly ... _____
 - Mind your own affairs ... _____ (Prov.25:17)
 - Work with your hands ... _____
 - This will preserve _____
 - This will _____ to your spiritual family

What Influences Your Shape?

- I. What is a Righteous individual supposed to refrain from? (vs. 1)
 - A. "Blessed is the man..."
 - B. Opposing Influencers
- II. A Blessed Man is not to be shaped in thinking and feeling by the wicked, the sinner, and the scoffer (vs. 2)
 - A. Do not WALK in the COUNSEL of the ungodly
 - B. Do not STAND in the WAY of the sinner
 - C. Do not SIT in the SEAT of the scoffer
- III. God's Word as a Hallmark of Faith and Practice (vs. 2)
 - A. A Blessed man finds his DELIGHT in God's Word
- IV. A Picture of a Blessed Man (vs. 3)
- V. How we should NOT Live (vs. 4-5)
 - A. A Contrast between the godly and ungodly
 - B. Ungodly – Described as rootless, weightless and useless
 - C. Ungodly face God's Righteousness
- VI. God makes clear distinctions (vs. 6)
 - A. The Lord knows the way of the righteous
 - B. The wicked will perish