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IN THE VINYARD OF THE LORD

"...we will work, we will pray, we will labor every day..."

Some thoughts from Jane McWhorter

1. The way of the lazy man is like a hedge of thorns. (Proverbs 13:19)
2. And in every work that [Hezekiah] began in the service of the house of God, in the law and in the commandment, to seek his God, he did it with all his heart. So he prospered. (2 Chronicles 31:21)
3. She makes tapestry [coverings] for herself; Her clothing *is* fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land. (Proverbs 31:22-23)
4. Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise. (Proverbs 6:6)
5. Because of indolence [slothful, habitually idle] the building decays, and through slackness of hands the house leaks. (Ecclesiastes 10:18)
6. The soul of a lazy man desires, and gets nothing; but the soul of the diligent shall be made rich. (Proverbs 13:4)
7. If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat. (2 Thessalonians 3:10)
8. In the parable of the talents, the slothful servant who fearfully hid his one talent was severely rebuked and cast into outer darkness. (Matthew 25:14-30)
9. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. (Galatians 6:9)
10. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Corinthians 15:58)
11. Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. (2 Timothy 4:2)
12. Therefore I run thus; not with uncertainty. Thus I box: not as one who beats the air. (1 Corinthians 9:26)
13. It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal til it was all leavened. (Luke 13:21)
14. Do not love sleep, lest you come to poverty. (Proverbs 20:13)
15. Do you see a man who excels in his work? He will stand before kings. (Proverbs 22:29)
16. But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an infidel. (1 Timothy 5:8)
17. Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might. (Ecclesiastes 9:10)